

# Annual Reports



OF THE  
TOWN OF

# Stratham

NEW HAMPSHIRE

For the Year Ending December 31,

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# ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

SELECTMEN, TOWN CLERK

TOWN TREASURER, HIGHWAY AGENTS

BOARD OF EDUCATION, LIBRARY TRUSTEES

AND TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

OF THE TOWN OF

# STRATHAM

NEW HAMPSHIRE

For the Year Ending December 31

# 1956

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## **TOWN OFFICERS**

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### **Supervisors of the Checklist**

Donald L. Barker

Daniel O'Brien

Olive Calef

### **Moderator**

George C. Jewell

### **Town Clerk**

\*Mary R. Tuck

### **Tax Collector**

\*Ralph D. Parkman

### **Selectmen**

\*Nelson E. Barker

Robert T. Wiggin

John A. Hutton, Jr.

### **Board of Education**

Katherine S. Peabody

\*Raymond E. Tucker

Henry Saltonstall

### **Treasurer**

\*Leslie C. Scammon

### **Trustees of the Trust Funds**

Ralph D. Parkman

\*John A. Hutton, Jr.

Walter H. Pease

### **Library Trustees**

Annie W. Scammon

Helen L. Gowen

\*John R. Gifford

### **Auditors**

James Scamman

Francis Wiggin

### **Highway Agent**

Ernest T. Wiggin

### **Police**

Forrest P. Wentworth

Robert S. Berry

Richard Scamman

### **Board of Health**

Henry Saltonstall

### **Fire Chief**

Robert T. Wiggin

\* Term Expires

# TOWN WARRANT

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## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

(L.S.)

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Stratham in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Lower Town Hall in said Stratham on Tuesday, the 12th day of March, next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate one hundred ninety one dollars and eighty one cents (\$191.81) against the State's twelve hundred seventy eight dollars and seventy one cents (\$1,278.71) for State Aid Construction.

4. To see if the town will vote to allow one percent discount on such property taxes as are paid by August 15th, or within thirty days from the day upon which the collector receives his warrant, whichever is later; the date to be printed on the tax bills.

5. To see if the town will vote to raise the salaries of the Selectmen one hundred dollars (\$100.00) each, or hire the services of a bookkeeper or some one to take care of the book work involved by that office, and also to take care of the Highway Department books.



6. To see if the town will vote to accept an ordinance to protect the health and promote the safety, convenience, and general welfare of the community by regulating the construction of buildings in the Town of Stratham.

7. To see if the town will vote to accept an ordinance to protect the health and promote the safety, convenience, and general welfare of the community by regulating the use of land in the Town of Stratham.

8. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

9. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

(The polls will be open from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. at the lower Town Hall to elect town officers; discussion and action on the articles in the warrant at 8:00 P.M. at the Memorial School.)

Given under our hands and seal this 16th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

NELSON E. BARKER,  
ROBERT T. WIGGIN,  
JOHN A. HUTTON, JR.

Selectmen of Stratham.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

NELSON E. BARKER,  
ROBERT T. WIGGIN,  
JOHN A. HUTTON, JR.

Selectmen of Stratham.

**BUILDING ORDINANCE  
FOR THE  
TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

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To promote the health, safety, convenience, and general welfare of the community by regulating the construction of buildings thereon in the Town of Stratham, the following ordinance is hereby enacted by the voters of the Town of Stratham, New Hampshire, in annual town meeting convened:

**ARTICLE I**

**Restrictions**

All land shall be subject to the following regulations, restrictions and conditions:

Section 1. No buildings or structure shall be erected, and no structure shall be altered, maintenance excluded, without a building permit from the Building Inspector, to whom adequate plans and specifications of the proposed building or alterations shall be submitted. The fees for permits shall be according to the following schedule:

Value	Permit Fees
\$ .00 to \$500 .....	\$ 1.00
\$500 to \$1,000 .....	2.00
\$1,000 to \$5,000 .....	5.00
\$5,000 to \$10,000 .....	10.00
Over \$10,000 .....	15.00

Section 2. The Town Building Inspector shall base his approval or rejection on the provisions of this ordinance. The requirements are as follows:

a. Foundations shall be constructed of solid cement, brick, cement-block, or stone. Industrial structures and

accessory buildings may be set on brick, stone, or cement piers.

b. Chimneys shall be constructed of stone or brick to the ground or according to board of underwriters specifications, all entrances shall be of fire-proof construction.

c. Buildings must be framed according to good building practices and outside walls shall be constructed of wood, or fire-resistant shingles, siding, clapboards, brick or stucco, and all dwellings of material customarily painted shall be painted.

d. Roofs shall be constructed of wood, fire-resistant shingles, metal, or fire-resisting composition.

e. Every dwelling shall have a minimum ground floor area of 720 square feet for each apartment.

f. Sewerage: All dwellings and buildings in public and private use shall be equipped with flush toilet, septic tank, and adequate disposal facilities.

## ARTICLE II

### Exceptions

The restrictions contained in Article I, Section (a) to (f) inclusive shall not apply in the case of the small dairy rooms, root cellars, poultry houses, farm and storage sheds, and other similar small structures to be so located on the owner's property as not to menace the property of another. However, such building shall not become the permanent dwelling of any family unit.

## ARTICLE III

### Town Building Inspector

Section 1. For the purpose of this ordinance the Board of Selectmen shall annually appoint a Town Building Inspector who shall perform the duties pertaining to his office as designated in the provisions of this Ordinance.



Section 2. The Building Inspector shall make known his decision within ten days from the date he receives the application and he shall make inspections of all buildings in a process of construction and report in writing any or all violations to the Board of Selectmen.

Section 3. The Town Building Inspector shall retain each application fee which shall constitute full compensation for his services.

## ARTICLE IV.

### Administration

Section 1. Applications and Permits.

a. It shall be the duty of the Board of Selectmen, and the Board is hereby given power and authority to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance.

b. The Board of Selectmen shall require that the application for a building permit include a plot plan and contain all necessary information to enable the Building Inspector to ascertain whether the proposed building or structure and its intended use comply with the provisions of this Ordinance.

c. No building permit shall be issued until the Building Inspector has certified that the proposed building and its intended use comply with the provisions of this Ordinance.

d. It shall be unlawful for any person to commence work for erection of any building or structure until a permit has been duly granted for such erection or alteration by the Building Inspector and posted on premises.

## ARTICLE V.

### Board of Adjustment

Section 1. The Selectmen shall appoint a Board of Adjustment as provided in the N. H. Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 31.

Section 2. The Board of Adjustment shall have the following powers:

a. To hear and decide appeals either by the applicant or other property owners in the vicinity where it is alleged there is error in any order, requirement, decision, or determination made by an administrative official in the enforcement of this Ordinance.

b. To hear and decide special exceptions to the terms of this Ordinance.

c. To authorize, upon appeal, in specific cases, such variance from the terms of this Ordinance as will not be contrary to the public interest, where, owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the provisions of this Ordinance will result in unnecessary hardships, and so that the spirit of this Ordinance shall be observed and substantial justice done.

d. The Board of Adjustment shall make rules as to the manner of filing appeals or applications for special exceptions or for variance from the terms of this Ordinance. A payment of the estimated cost of giving notice is herein required by the appellant.

e. Upon filing an appeal or an application for special exception from the terms of this Ordinance with the Board of Adjustment, the Board shall fix a reasonable time for the hearing of the appeal or the application for special exception, give public notice thereof, as well as due notice to the parties in interest and decide the same within a reasonable time.

f. The said notices shall state the location of the building or lot, and the general nature of the question involved.

g. In exercising the above-mentioned powers the Board may, in conformity with the provisions thereof, reverse or affirm wholly or partly, or may modify the

order, requirement, decision or determination appealed from and may make such orders or decision as ought to be made, and to that end shall have all the powers of the officer from whom the appeal is taken.

h. The concurring vote of three members of the Board shall be necessary to reverse any action of administrative officials or to decide in favor of the applicant on any matter upon which it is required to pass under any such Ordinance, or to effect any variation in any such Ordinance.

## ARTICLE VI.

### **Amendments**

The regulations and restrictions, as provided in this Ordinance, may from time to time be amended, supplemented, changed, modified, or repealed by a resolution adopted at a regular or special meeting of the Town, setting forth the proposed amendment. A public hearing shall be held thereon, after notice as required by law, and prior to the Town Meeting at which the amendment is to be proposed. Such amendment shall not become effective except by the favorable vote of the majority of the voting members attending and voting at a regular or special meeting of the Town.

## ARTICLE VII.

### **General Provisions**

Section 1. **Validity.** Should any section or provision of this Ordinance be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or of any part thereof.

Section 2. **Interpretation.** In interpreting and applying the provisions of this Ordinance, they shall be held to be the minimum requirements for the promotion of

the health, safety, morals, and general welfare of the Town of Stratham and its citizens.

**Section 3. Penalties and Remedy for Violations.** Whoever violates any provisions of this Ordinance shall be punished by a fine not exceeding ten dollars (\$10.00) a day for each day of violation.

**Section 4.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

**PROPOSED ZONING AND LAND USE ORDINANCE  
FOR THE  
TOWN OF STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

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An ordinance to promote the health, safety, convenience and general welfare of the community by regulating the use of land in the Town of Stratham.

**ARTICLE I.**

**Preamble**

In pursuance of authority conferred by Chapter 31, Sections 60-89, N. H. Revised Statutes Annotated, 1955, and for the purpose of promoting the health, safety, morals, prosperity, convenience of general welfare, as well as efficiency and economy in the process of development, of the inhabitants of the incorporated Town of Stratham, New Hampshire, by securing safety from fire, panic and other dangers, providing adequate areas between buildings and various rights of way, by preserving the rural charm now attached to our town, the promotion of good civic design and arrangements, wise and efficient expenditure of public funds, and the adequate provision of public utilities and other public requirements, and by other means, now therefore the following ordinance is hereby enacted by the voters of the Town of Stratham, New Hampshire, in official annual meeting convened.

**ARTICLE II.**

**Districts**

For the purpose of this Ordinance the Town of Stratham is divided into districts as shown in the zoning map filed with the Town Clerk and dated, and including the following: (1) Residential-Agricultural District; (2) Industrial District.



## ARTICLE III.

### General Provisions

A. No junk yard or place for the storage of discarded machinery, vehicles, glass, paper, cordage, garbage, refuse, or other waste or discarded material shall be maintained in the Town, exclusive of the area known as the Town Dump.

B. No owner or occupant of land shall permit fire or other ruins to be left, but shall remove same to ground level within two years.

C. The removal of clay, sod, loam, sand, or gravel is permitted either for private use or for sale if, when the supply is depleted, the area is re-graded, reloamed, reseeded or otherwise re-covered to assure that the premises will be left in sightly condition and protected against erosion.

D. Any uses that may be obnoxious or injurious by reason of the production or emission of odor, dust, smoke, refuse matter, fumes, noise vibration, or similar conditions, or that are dangerous to the comfort, peace, enjoyment, health or safety of the community or lending to its disturbance or annoyance are prohibited.

E. Property owners of business, profession, or service enterprises shall be allowed advertising signs which advertise activities conducted on the premises.

#### F. Sanitary Protection.

1. No privy, cesspool, septic tank, or sewage disposal area shall be constructed or maintained less than 75 feet from the edge of a public water body; from a well; or from a dwelling other than that to which it is appurtenant.

2. No waste waters or sewage shall be permitted to run free into a public water body or be discharged in any way that may be offensive or detrimental to the health

of others. All such waste shall be conveyed away underground through use of an accepted sanitary system or in such a way that it will not be offensive or detrimental to health.

3. All dwellings and sanitary systems should be constructed and maintained in accordance with standards set and enforced by the N. H. State Department of Health and by the N. H. Water Pollution Commission.

4. No building or land shall hereafter be used or occupied and no building or part thereof shall be erected, moved, or altered except in conformity with the regulations.

## ARTICLE IV.

### Residential-Agricultural District

A building may be erected, altered or used, and a lot may be used or occupied for the following purposes, and in accordance with the following provisions:

#### A. Land Requirements.

1. **Frontage.** Every building lot shall have a minimum frontage of 100 feet provided that where lots are located on the exterior of a curving street, a shorter front dimension shall be permitted provided the average width of the lot measured across its center shall be 100 feet.

2. **Front Yard.** There shall be between the nearest right of way and the extreme front of any building a minimum depth of 25 feet.

3. **Side and Back Yard.** No building shall be located nearer than ten feet of the property lines of any abutter.

4. **Minimum Land Area.** No lot shall be less than 20,000 square feet.

B. The buying, selling, and exposing for sale of home produce and products.

C. The office of a professional person located in the house in which he resides.

D. Funeral homes.

E. Taking of boarders or the leasing or renting of rooms by a resident family.

F. Customary home occupations such as millinery, dressmaking, hairdressing, or manicuring, carried on in the house by a person resident therein.

G. Retail stores, established for the convenience of the inhabitants of the town, provided adequate allowance is made for off-the-street parking.

## ARTICLE V.

### **Industrial District**

The Industrial District shall meet the following requirements:

1. Dwellings permitted in the Residential-Agriculture District shall be excluded.

2. An industry shall be located at least 60' from the edge of any right of way, and not less than 20' from each side and rear boundary.

3. An industry must provide adequate parking facilities for (a) freight and delivery trucks, and (b) employee parking.

4. An industry must not offend by reason of the emission of smoke, dust, gas, noise, odor or fumes.

## ARTICLE VI.

### **Trailers, Mobile Homes, Trailer Parks and Mobile Home Parks**

#### A. Trailers and Mobile homes.

A single trailer or a single mobile home may be located anywhere in the Residential-Agricultural District provided it meets all frontage, front yard, side and back yard, minimum land area, and Sanitary Protection requirements specified in this ordinance for buildings and lots located in the Residential-Agricultural District.

#### B. Trailer Parks and Mobile Home Parks.

Trailer parks and mobile parks may be located anywhere in the Township provided they are 500 feet distant from the nearest dwelling at the time of establishment and further provided that:

1. Each mobile home space shall contain a minimum of 2,400 square feet; shall be at least 45 feet wide; and shall abut on a roadway of not less than 30 feet, if off-street parking is provided, otherwise 40 feet. Such spaces shall be clearly defined, and trailers or mobile homes shall be parked in such spaces so that there will be a minimum of 20 feet between trailers or mobile homes and any attachments thereon, and so that no trailer or mobile home will be less than 10 feet from the exterior boundary of the park.

2. In all trailer and mobile home parks roadways shall be well-drained, graveled, hard-surfaced or paved and maintained in good condition and be lighted at night.

3. Access roads shall be provided to each trailer or mobile home space. Each access road shall be continuous; shall connect with a street or highway; and shall have a minimum width of 20 feet.

4. Areas shall be provided for the parking of motor vehicles. Such areas shall accommodate at least the number of vehicles equal to the number of trailer or mobile home spaces provided.

## ARTICLE VII.

### Nonconforming Uses and Buildings

A. Any nonconforming use of land or building (other than uses specified in B and C below) may continue in their present use, except that any nonconforming use or building may not be:

1. Changed to another nonconforming use;
2. Re-established after discontinuance for one year except to a use conforming to this ordinance;
3. Extended or enlarged;

B. No junk yard may continue as a nonconforming use for more than one year after the effective date of this Ordinance, except that a junk yard may continue as a nonconforming use if within the period it is completely enclosed within a continuous solid fence of such height, not less than eight feet high in any case, as to screen completely the operations of the junk yard. Plans of such building or fence shall be approved by the Board of Selectmen before it is erected.

C. No outdoor advertising structure may continue as a nonconforming use for more than two years after the effective date of this Ordinance unless it is designed to direct attention to a business or profession conducted on the premises or within the town.

## ARTICLE VIII.

### Enforcement

1. It shall be the duty of the Board of Selectmen and the Board is hereby given power and authority to enforce the provisions of this ordinance.



2. The Building Inspector shall issue any and all building permits requested when such permit is in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance.

3. After passage of this ordinance, it shall be unlawful to erect any structure or building, or alter any building or relocate any building except accessory building, without first obtaining a building permit from the Building Inspector.

4. No permit shall be required for remodeling where the purpose for which the building is to be used is not changed.

5. Upon any well-founded information that this Ordinance is being violated, the Board of Selectmen shall take immediate steps to enforce the provisions of this ordinance by seeking an injunction in the Superior Court or by any other legal action.

## ARTICLE IX.

### Board of Adjustment

Within thirty days after the adoption of this ordinance and thereafter as terms expire or vacancies occur, the Board of Selectmen shall make appointments to a Board of Adjustment of five members conforming in duties to the provisions of Chapter 31 of the N. H. Revised Statutes Annotated, 1955. Thereafter as terms expire or vacancies occur, the appointing Authority shall be responsible for filling vacancies and maintaining full membership on the Board of Adjustment. The Board of Adjustment here provided shall conform in membership and term of office to the provisions of Section 67, Chapter 31, N. H. Revised Statutes Annotated, 1955. In addition to the general powers granted said Board of Adjustment by said Chapter 31, it may, in harmony with and subject to its provisions:

A. Permit a nonconforming temporary use for an initial period of not more than two years. Permits may be renewed by the Board of Adjustment for successive periods of not more than one year each.

B. Waive the Residential and Agricultural District frontage requirements where there are unusual conditions of street curvature, topography or subsurface conditions. In such cases, however, the average width of the lot shall be equal to or greater than the frontage requirements.

C. Permit in the Residential-Agricultural District a commercial or an industrial use which, at a public hearing, proves it can meet the following requirements:

1. Be located at least 60' from the edge of any right of way, and not less than 20' from each side and rear boundary.

2. Provide adequate parking facilities to accommodate vehicles attracted by the business.

3. Does not offend by reason of the emission of smoke, dust, gas, noise, odor, or fumes.

## ARTICLE X.

### Amendments

This ordinance may be amended by a majority vote of any legal Town Meeting when such amendment is published in the warrant calling for the meeting, and when such amendment has received a public hearing, which hearing has been advertised and given a legal fifteen-day notice.

## ARTICLE XI.

Every person, persons, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be fined not more than ten dollars upon conviction for each day such violation may exist.

## ARTICLE XII.

### **Saving Clause**

The invalidity of any provision of this ordinance shall not effect the validity of any other provisions.

## ARTICLE XIII.

### **When Effective**

This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

## ARTICLE XIV.

For the purpose of this Ordinance, certain terms are defined as provided in this section.

**A. Home produce and products** means and includes everything of an agricultural nature grown, produced, conditioned or otherwise carried on the property of the resident, also such articles as are manufactured or altered by members of the household of the bona fide resident of any property.

**B. Right of Way** means and includes all town, state and federal highways and the land on either side of same as covered by statutes to determine the widths of the rights of way.

**C. Accessory building** means a building subordinate to the main building on a lot used for purposes customarily incidental to those of the main building.

**D. Trailer Park or Mobile Home Park** means a land area occupied or designed for occupancy by two or more trailers in use for living purposes.

**E. Front yard.** A space extending for a full width of a lot between the extreme front line of a building and the nearest side of the right of way.

**F. Frontage** means the length of the lot bordering on the public right of way.

G. **Junk** means any old metals, old bottles, cotton or woolen mill waste, unfinished cloth, unfinished cotton or woolen mill yarns, old paper products, old rubber products, two or more unregistered motor vehicles which are unfit for use on highways, used parts and materials or motor vehicles, and other second hand articles, the accumulation of which is detrimental or injurious to the neighborhood.

H. **Nonconforming building or structure.** A nonconforming building or structure is a building or structure the use of which, in whole or in part, does not conform to the use regulations of the district in which the building or structure is located.

I. **Nonconforming use.** A nonconforming use is a use in any building or structure which does not conform to the use regulations of the district in which such use exists.

# BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF STRATHAM

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year  
January 1, 1957 to December 31, 1957. Compared with  
Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures  
of the Previous Year January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956

## SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1956	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1956	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1957
<b>From State:</b>			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$1,989.11	\$ 3,266.27	\$ 3,266.27
Railroad Tax	28.87		29.93
Savings Bank Tax	142.42		177.87
For Fighting Forest Fires		16.20	
National Forest Reserve Aerial Rebate		2.10	
Reimbursement a/c Town Poor		1,141.00	
<b>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</b>			
Dog Licenses	400.00	344.40	340.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	9.00	15.00	5.00
Rent of Town Hall & Other Bldgs.	70.00		50.00
Interest Received on Taxes & Deposits	235.75	373.66	373.66
Income from Trust Funds	350.00		350.00
Income of Departments:			
(a) Highway, incl. rental of equip.	200.00	290.50	200.00
(b) Refund on interest paid		21.62	
(c) Lumber	150.00	227.25	
(d) Insurance Adjustment		1.28	
(e) Fire Insurance on Town Bldgs.		16,000.00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	4,400.00	4,827.20	4,827.20
Sale of Town Property		206.70	
<b>From Local Taxes Other Than</b>			
<b>Property Taxes:</b>			
(a) Poll Taxes — Regular @ \$2	700.00	676.00	700.00
(b) National Bank Stock Taxes	12.45		12.50
(c) Yield Taxes		426.09	200.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUE FROM ALL SOURCES</b>			
<b>EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES</b>	<b>\$8,687.65</b>	<b>\$27,847.72</b>	<b>\$10,532.43</b>
<b>AMT. TO BE RAISED BY PROP. TAXES</b>			<b>72,858.92</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>			<b>\$83,391.35</b>



## PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Approp. Previous Year 1956	Actual Expend. Previous Year 1956	Estimated Expend. Ensuing Year 1957
<b>CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:</b>			
<b>General Government:</b>			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,999.10	\$ 2,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	700.00	787.84	1,000.00
Election & Registration Expenses	249.40	200.00	100.00
Expenses Town Hall & Other Bldgs.	625.00	878.92	800.00
<b>Protection of Persons and Property:</b>			
Police Department	150.00	150.00	150.00
Fire Department	700.00	674.11	700.00
Moth Exterm. - Blister Rust & Care of Trees	500.00	578.30	575.00
<b>Health:</b>			
Vital Statistics	37.00	31.50	37.00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	350.00	352.47	350.00
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>			
Town Maintenance — Summer	6,600.00	5,938.23	6,000.00
Town Maintenance — Winter	2,000.00	5,679.39	3,000.00
Street Lighting		412.08	630.00
<b>Libraries:</b>			
Libraries	500.00	459.05	500.00
<b>Public Welfare:</b>			
Town Poor	300.00	281.60	200.00
Old Age Assistance	1,600.00	1,640.89	2,000.00
<b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>			
Memorial Day & Veterans' Associations			75.00
<b>Recreation:</b>			
Parks & Playgrounds, Incl. Band Concerts		376.28	800.00
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>			
Cemeteries	100.00	105.00	100.00
<b>Unclassified:</b>			
Damages & Legal Exp., Incl. Dog Damage	100.00	177.30	150.00
Advertising and Regional Associations	100.00	100.00	100.00
<b>Interest:</b>			
On Temporary Loans	50.00		50.00
On Long Term Notes and Bonds	250.00	215.38	175.00
<b>Payment on Principal of Debt:</b>			
(b) Long Term Notes	1,666.35	1,666.35	
<b>Payments to Other Govt. Divisions:</b>			
County Taxes	3,651.87	4,265.63	4,265.63
School Taxes	45,120.80	50,341.88	60,033.72
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$67,301.02</b>	<b>\$77,360.70</b>	<b>\$83,391.35</b>

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**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
of the  
**TOWN OF STRATHAM**  
in  
Rockingham County  
for the  
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1956

**CERTIFICATE**

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.  
January 29, 1957.

NELSON E. BARKER,  
ROBERT T. WIGGIN,  
JOHN A. HUTTON, JR.

Selectmen.

LESLIE C. SCAMMON,

Treasurer.

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# Town of Stratham

## BALANCE

### ASSETS

#### Cash:

In hands of treasurer	\$10,639.82
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#### Accounts Due to the Town:

Sheds, Authorized at Special Town meeting (highway gar.)	5,000.00
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Loss of Equipment, Authorized at Special Town Meeting	4,000.00
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#### Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 1954	95.61
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Previous Years	77.15
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#### Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1956	14,793.70
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Levy of 1955	2.00
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State Head Taxes—Levy of 1956	645.00
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State Head Taxes—Prev. Years	5.00
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Total Assets	<hr/> \$35,258.28
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Grand Total	<hr/> \$35,258.28
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Surplus, December 31, 1955	\$6,385.88
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Surplus, December 31, 1956	\$9,854.44
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Increase of Surplus	\$3,468.56
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December 31, 1956

**SHEET**

**LIABILITIES**

**Accounts Owed by the Town:**

**Unexpended Bal. of Special Approp.:**

Fire House	\$1,546.85
Highway Garage	42.00
Loss of Equipment	1,678.19

**Due to State:**

**State Head Taxes—1956**

Uncollected	\$650.00	
Collected, not remitted to State Treas.	166.00	
	<hr/>	816.00

**Due to School Districts:**

Balance of Appropriation	15,120.80
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**Long Term Notes Outstanding:**

**Exeter Banking Company**

(Class V Roads)	6,200.00
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Total Liabilities \$25,403.84

Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus) 9,854.44

Grand Total 

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\$35,258.28

Town of Stratham

UNIFORM  
RECEIPTS AND

RECEIPTS

**Current Revenue:**

**From Local Taxes:**

Property Taxes—Cur. Year, 1956	\$45,669.21
Poll Taxes—Cur. Year, Reg. @ \$2.—1956	524.00
Nat. Bank Stock Taxes—1956	12.45
Yield Taxes—1956	426.09
State Head Taxes @ \$5—1956	1,610.00
Total Current Year's Taxes	<hr/>
collected and remitted	\$48,241.75
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes Previous Years	11,671.50
Poll Taxes, Prev. Years—Reg. @ \$2	152.00
State Head Taxes @ \$5—Previous Years	490.00
Interest received on Taxes	323.66
Penalties on State Head Taxes	50.00
Tax sales redeemed	396.63

**From State:**

Town Road Aid	1,282.36
Interest and dividends tax	3,266.27
Reimbursement—Head tax	13.29
Rebate Aerial Photograph	2.10
Fighting forest fires	16.20
Reimbursement—Town Poor	1,141.00

**From Local Sources, Except Taxes:**

Dog licenses	344.40
Business licenses, permits & filing fees	15.00
Highway, driveways & school	290.50
Reg. of motor vehicles, 1955 permits	37.18
Reg. of motor vehicles, 1956 permits	4,790.02



## CLASSIFICATION

PAYMENTS For the Year Ended December 31, 1956

### PAYMENTS

#### Current Maintenance Expenses:

##### General Government:

Town officers' salaries	\$1,999.10
Town officers' expenses	787.84
Election and reg. expenses	249.40
Exp. town hall & other buildings	878.92

##### Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	150.00
Fire dept., including forest fires	674.11
Damage by dogs	20.00
Insurance	578.30

##### Health:

Vital statistics	31.50
Town dumps and garbage removal	352.47

##### Highways and Bridges:

##### Town Maintenance:

Summer	\$5,938.23	
Winter	5,679.39	
	<hr/>	11,617.62
Street lighting		412.08

##### Libraries:

Libraries	459.05
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##### Public Welfare:

Old age assistance	1,640.89
Town poor	281.60

##### Recreation:

Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts	376.28
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## RECEIPTS — Concluded

### Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Insurance adjustments	1.28
Sale of town property—cemetery lot, old iron and sand	206.70
Stratham Hill Park, hurricane lumber)	227.25
Fire Insurance (sheds & fire house)	6,000.00
Fire Insurance (town hall)	10,000.00
Exeter Banking Co. (Error Int.)	21.62
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Total Receipts From All Sources	\$88,980.71
Cash on hand January 1, 1956	22,721.41
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Grand Total	\$111,702.12

## PAYMENTS — Continued

### Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries, incl. hearse hire	105.00
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### Unclassified:

Damages and legal expenses	157.30
Advertising and Reg. Ass'n.	100.00
Taxes bought by town	89.52
Discounts, Abatements & Refunds	72.79

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Total Current Maintenance Expenses	\$21,033.77
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### Interest:

Paid on long term notes	\$215.38
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Total Interest Payments	\$215.38
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### Outlay for New Constr., Equipment and Permanent Improvements:

Lower hall and kitchen	\$1,987.42
New fire house	8,453.15
New highway garage	4,958.00
Fire loss of equipment	2,321.81
Fire damage on town hall	2,217.63

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Total Outlay Payments	\$19,938.01
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### Indebtedness:

Payments on long term notes	3,250.13
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Total Indebtedness Payments	\$3,250.13
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### Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

State Head Taxes paid	
State Treasurer	\$2,017.50
Taxes paid to County	4,265.63

## PAYMENTS — Concluded

### Payments to School Districts:

1955 Tax	\$20,341.88	
1956 Tax	30,000.00	
	<hr/>	50,341.88

### Total Payments to Other

Governmental Divisions	<hr/>	\$56,625.01
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Total Payments for all Purposes	<hr/>	\$101,062.30
Cash on hand December 31, 1956		10,639.82

Grand Total	<hr/>	\$111,702.12
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## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

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### Description:

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$10,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	300.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	20,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Police Department, Equipment	50.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	10,000.00
Equipment	3,000.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	5,000.00
Equipment	10,000.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	5,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	55,000.00
Equipment	2,500.00
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Total	\$121,350.00



## AUDITOR'S REPORT

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We have this day completed the audit for the Town of Stratham, and have examined the accounts of the Tax Collector, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Selectmen's Ledger and Vouchers, Road Agent's Accounts and Payrolls, Trustees of Trust Funds and Library Funds, and Bonds of all Town Officers, also Notes and Bonds Payable, and find all accounts properly cast and balanced.

January 28, 1957.

JAMES SCAMMAN

FRANCIS WIGGIN

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

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Land and Buildings	\$1,164,245.00
Mills and Machinery	11,000.00
Electric Plants	135,800.00
Stock in Trade	39,200.00
Boats, 1	300.00
Horses, 58	2,775.00
Cows, 529	40,010.00
Neat Stock, 72	3,900.00
Sheep and Goats, 63	630.00
Fowls, 20,040	15,030.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	600.00
Road Machinery	2,000.00
Fur Bearing Animals, 34	340.00
Wood and Lumber	7,450.00
Poll Taxes, 381	762.00
Head Tax, 460	2,300.00
Yield Taxes	999.04
National Bank Stock Tax	12.50

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Total	\$1,427,353.54
Soldier's Exemptions	34,500.00

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\$1,392,853.54

Amount of taxes committed to Tax Collector	\$61,700.05
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Rate of Taxation — \$4.30 per \$100.00

## REPORT OF APPROPRIATION COMMITTEE

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Town Officers' Salaries	\$2,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000.00
Election and Registration	100.00
Town Hall	800.00
Police Department	150.00
Fire Department	700.00
Insurance	575.00
Vital Statistics	37.00
Summer Roads	6,000.00
Winter Roads	3,000.00
Town Dump	350.00
Library	500.00
Town Poor	200.00
Old Age Assistance	2,000.00
Parks and Playgrounds	400.00
Cemeteries	100.00
Legal Expenses and Dog Damage	150.00
Seacoast Regional	100.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	50.00
Interest on Long Term Notes	175.00
Memorial Day	75.00
Street Lighting	630.00
County Tax	4,265.63
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Total	\$23,357.63

WALTER A. SCAMMAN  
KATHERINE S. PEABODY  
PAULINE F. SCAMMON  
LEO H. SENECHAL  
ROBERT T. WIGGIN  
JOHN A. HUTTON, JR.  
NELSON E. BARKER

## REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF TAXES

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### SUMMARY OF 1956 TAX WARRANTS COMBINED DR.

#### Taxes committed to Collector:

Property taxes	\$59,760.96
Poll taxes	740.00
Yield taxes	957.84

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Total warrants	\$61,458.80
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#### Added taxes:

Property taxes	\$165.55
National Bank stock taxes	12.50
Poll taxes	22.00
Yield taxes	41.20

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241.25
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#### Interest collected

1.09
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Total Debits	\$61,701.14
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### CR.

#### Remittances to Treasurer:

Property taxes	\$45,669.21
National Bank stock taxes	12.45
Poll taxes	524.00
Yield taxes	426.09
Interest	1.09

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\$46,632.84
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#### Discounts allowed

200.85
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#### Abatements:

Property taxes	\$53.75
Poll taxes	18.00

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71.75
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**Uncollected taxes as per****Collector's list:**

Property taxes	\$14,002.75	
Poll taxes	220.00	
Yield taxes	572.95	
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		14,795.70

Total Credits	\$61,701.14
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**SUMMARY OF 1955 TAX WARRANTS COMBINED  
DR.****Uncollected taxes as of Jan. 1, 1956**

Property taxes	\$11,560.01	
Poll taxes	148.00	
Yield taxes	98.56	
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		\$11,806.57

**Added taxes:**

Poll taxes	4.00
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**Interest collected during year 1956**

On property taxes	\$298.92	
On poll taxes	2.36	
On yield taxes	3.81	
Penalties collected on polls	14.80	
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		319.89

Total Debits	\$12,130.46
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**CR.****Remittances to Treas. during year:**

Property taxes	\$11,549.75	
Poll taxes	148.00	
Yield taxes	98.56	
Interest and penalties	319.89	
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		\$12,116.20



**Abatements during year:**

Property taxes	\$10.26	
Poll taxes	2.00	
	<hr/>	12.26
Uncollected taxes Dec. 31, 1956		2.00
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Total Credits		\$12,130.46

**SUMMARY OF 1954 TAX WARRANT**

**DR.**

Uncollected poll taxes Jan. 1, 1956	\$4.00	
Interest collected	.31	
Penalties collected	.40	
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Total Debits		\$4.71

**CR.**

Remitted to Treasurer	\$4.71
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**SUMMARY OF 1952 TAX WARRANT**

**DR.**

Uncol. property taxes Jan. 1, 1956	\$23.19	
Interest collected	1.97	
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Total Debits		\$25.16

**CR.**

Remitted to Treasurer	\$25.16
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SUMMARY OF STATE HEAD TAX WARRANT  
LEVY OF 1956

DR.

**State Head Taxes**

**Committed to Collector:**

Original warrant	\$2,245.00
Added head taxes	55.00

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	\$2,300.00
Penalties collected	1.00

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Total Debits	\$2,301.00

CR.

**Remittances to Treasurer:**

Head taxes	\$1,610.00
Penalties	1.00

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	\$1,611.00
Abatements	45.00
Uncol. head taxes as per list	645.00

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Total Credits	\$2,301.00

SUMMARY OF 1955 HEAD TAX WARRANT

DR.

**Uncollected Head Taxes**

As of January 1, 1956	\$465.00
Added Head Taxes during 1956	15.00
Penalties Collected during 1956	47.00

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Total Debits	\$527.00

CR.

Remittances to Treas. during 1956

Head taxes	\$470.00	
Penalties	47.00	
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		\$517.00
Abatements		5.00
Uncollected		5.00
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Total Credits		\$527.00

SUMMARY OF STATE HEAD TAX WARRANT  
LEVY OF 1954

DR.

Uncollected Head Taxes		
As of January 1, 1956	\$5.00	
Penalty collected	.50	
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Total Debits		\$5.50

CR.

Remitted to Treasurer	\$5.50
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SUMMARY OF STATE HEAD TAX WARRANT  
LEVY OF 1953

DR.

Uncollected Head Taxes		
As of January 1, 1956	\$15.00	
Penalties collected	1.50	
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Total Debits		\$16.50

CR.

Remitted to Treasurer	\$16.50
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# SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNT

As of December 31, 1956

DR.

	Tax sale on account of levies of:		
	1955	1954	1953
Taxes sold during fiscal year	\$95.61	—	—
Bal. of unredeemed taxes			
January 1, 1956	—	296.07	143.01
Int. collected after sale	—	11.70	21.80
Notification of mortgagees	—	3.00	1.86
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Total Debits	\$95.61	\$309.77	\$166.76

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer	—	\$231.12	\$165.51
Paid Register of Deeds	—	1.50	1.25
Unredeemed taxes			
Dec. 31, 1956	95.61	77.15	—
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Total Credits	\$95.61	\$309.77	\$166.76

RALPH D. PARKMAN,

Collector of Taxes

## TOWN CLERK'S DISCHARGE

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We have examined the accounts of Mary R. Tuck, in regard to Auto Permits. Serial Numbers and Accounts were correct and we find she collected and paid the Treasurer \$4,827.33.

In regard to Dog Licenses we find she collected \$371.00, retaining \$27.00 for fees. \$344.00 was turned over to Treasurer.

\$15.00 was collected for Filing Fees. A total of \$5,186.-33 due the Town of Stratham was turned over to the Treasurer for which she holds receipts.

JAMES I. SCAMMAN,  
FRANCIS F. WIGGIN,

Auditors



## TREASURER'S REPORT

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Balance on hand January 1, 1956 \$22,721.41

Received from:

Ralph D. Parkman, Tax Collector

1956 Property taxes	\$45,682.75
1956 Poll taxes	524.00
1956 Head taxes	1,611.00
1956 Yield taxes	426.09
1955 Property taxes	11,848.67
1955 Poll taxes	165.16
1955 Head taxes	517.00
1955 Yield taxes	102.37
1954 Poll taxes	4.71
1954 Head taxes	5.50
1953 Head taxes	16.50
1952 Property taxes	25.16
Redemption Tax Sales	396.63

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\$61,325.54

Mary R. Tuck, Town Clerk

Auto Permits	\$4,827.20
Dog Licenses	344.40
Filing fees	15.00

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\$5,186.60

Highway Department

Breaking driveways	\$225.50
Watkins & Son, sand	93.50
Tarring School yard	65.00

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\$384.00

State of New Hampshire

Reimbursement, head tax	\$11.79
Rebate, head tax	1.50
Dividends & Interest	3,266.27
Highway Refund, TRA	1,282.36
Rebate Aerial Photography	2.10
Forestry Dept., training	16.20

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\$4,580.22

Miscellaneous

Cemetery Lot	\$40.00
Sale of Stove	5.00
Insurance Rebate	1.28
Recovery Town Poor	1,141.00
Dow for lumber	188.25
Walter Scamman, lumber	39.00
Fire Insurance	16,000.00
Sale old iron	68.20
Error Int., Exeter Banking Co.	21.62

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\$17,504.35

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\$111,702.12

Paid on Selectmen's orders	\$101,062.30
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1956	10,639.82

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\$111,702.12

## DETAILED EXPENDITURES

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### TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Appropriation	\$2,000.00	
Balance	.90	
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		\$1,999.10
Mary R. Tuck, Town Clerk	\$400.40	
Ralph D. Parkman, Tax Collector	788.70	
Ralph D. Parkman, Trustee	25.00	
James Scamman, Auditor	30.00	
Francis Wiggin, Auditor	30.00	
Leslie C. Scammon, Treasurer	125.00	
Robert T. Wiggin, Selectman	150.00	
John A. Hutton, Jr., Selectman	150.00	
Nelson E. Barker, Selectman	300.00	
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		\$1,999.10

### TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$700.00	
Overdraft	87.84	
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		\$787.84
Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies	\$46.93	
Batchelder's Bookstore, supplies	20.83	
Mary R. Tuck, Tel., postage and envelopes	47.85	
Hampton Publishing Co., Town Reports and checklists	345.64	
U. S. Auto & Truck Guide	7.50	
Rockingham National Bank, Safe Deposit Box	4.40	
Wheeler & Clark, supplies	31.56	

George Brown, maps	15.00
DeMeritt Agency, bonds	89.20
Leslie C. Scammon, treasurer	1.55
N. H. Tax Col. Ass'n., dues	3.00
N. H. Clerk Ass'n., dues	2.00
Exeter News-Letter, notices	22.50
Ralph D. Parkman, tax collector	20.46
Ralph D. Parkman, trustee	6.02
Sargent Bros., printing	30.65
Nelson E. Barker, selectman	15.00
Portsmouth Herald, notices	19.20
John W. A. Green, transfers	19.80
State Tax Commission, law books	3.75
Stanley Snow, town report cover	35.00

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\$787.84

#### ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Appropriation	\$200.00
Overdraft	49.40

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\$249.40

Exeter News Letter, notices and ballots	\$44.00
Portsmouth Herald, notices	3.40
Bertha Parks, ballot clerk	15.00
Gertrude Marston, ballot clerk	15.00
Gladys Chapman, ballot clerk	15.00
Marguerite Scamman, ballot clerk	15.00
George Jewell, moderator	15.00
Ladies' Auxiliary, dinners	12.00
P.T.A., dinners	25.00
Daniel O'Brien, supervisor	30.00
Robert Calef, supervisor	30.00
Donald Barker, supervisor	30.00

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\$249.40

## TOWN HALL AND SHEDS

Appropriation	\$625.00	
Overdraft	253.92	
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		\$878.92
Robert T. Wiggin, glass & labor	\$5.05	
Allied Service, Inc., fuel oil	65.47	
C. L. Haskell, flame proofing	80.00	
Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co., lights	174.30	
Fred Hutton, janitor	140.00	
C. M. Dining, fuel oil	226.10	
Heath & Fadden, repairs on roof	142.00	
Perley Wells, truck & labor	24.00	
Stratham Hardware & Lumber Co.	9.12	
Leslie C. Scammon, labor	11.25	
James Scamman, supplies	1.63	
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		\$878.92

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$150.00	
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		\$150.00
Forrest P. Wentworth, services	\$150.00	
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		\$150.00

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$700.00	
Balance	25.89	
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		\$674.11
State of N. H., fire tools	\$7.11	
Rock. Electrical Supply, supplies	10.44	
John A. Higgins, supplies	6.50	
Callahan Oil Service, fuel oil	108.35	



Robert T. Wiggin, expenses	6.00	
George R. Brown, expenses	6.40	
George C. Jewell, expenses	5.00	
Leo Senechal, expenses	5.00	
Francis Wentworth, expenses	5.00	
John L. Emery, expenses	5.00	
DeMeritt Agency, Ins. on trucks	128.50	
Weston Emergency Co., fire hose	105.00	
Wentworth Motor Co., repairs	44.15	
James Scamman, gas & oil	16.32	
Stratham Hardware & Lumber Co.		
materials for fire house	215.34	
		\$674.11

#### HEAD TAX

Treasurer of State of N. H.	\$2,017.50	
		\$2,017.50

#### LOWER HALL AND KITCHEN

Appropriation	\$1,800.00	
Overdraft	187.42	
		\$1,987.42
Albert C. Call, back hoe	\$163.70	
Robert T. Wiggin	4.80	
Albert H. Stevens, Truck & gravel	143.60	
Leslie C. Scammon, labor & mat.	1,113.94	
Raymond Tucker, lights & wire	122.68	
J. H. Morgan & Son., water install.	285.45	
Stratham Hardware & Lumber Co.		
cement	148.60	
F. W. Jewell, cement	4.65	
		\$1,987.42

## VITAL STATISTICS

Appropriation	\$37.00	
Balance	5.50	
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		\$31.50
Mary R. Tuck	\$31.50	
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		\$31.50

## FIRE HOUSE

Insurance		
Town Hall	\$4,000.00	
Fire House	\$6,000.00	
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	\$10,000.00	
Balance	1,546.85	
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		\$8,453.15
Phillips Brooks, plans	\$50.00	
Albert H. Stevens	59.20	
Peirce Construction Co.	7,669.71	
Robert T. Wiggin	43.14	
Earl Wiggin, truck	48.30	
White's Welding Shop	10.65	
Callahan Oil Service	133.14	
Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	6.00	
John H. Beairsto, wiring	350.00	
O. H. Cammett, wire	15.75	
Edwin Kimball, supplies	27.26	
Leslie C. Scammon, lumber	40.00	
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		\$8,453.15

## STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation	\$511.00	
Balance	98.92	
	<hr/>	\$412.08
Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	\$412.08	
	<hr/>	\$412.08

## TOWN DUMP

Appropriation	\$350.00	
Overdraft	2.47	
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James Miller	\$195.00	
H. L. Joy	65.00	
Albert H. Stevens	30.00	
Robert T. Wiggin	18.37	
Earl Wiggin, truck	44.10	
	<hr/>	\$352.47

## LIBRARY

Appropriation	\$500.00	
Balance	40.95	
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F. W. Jewell, fuel oil	\$61.84	
Callahan Oil Service, fuel oil	207.77	
Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	33.03	
Leslie C. Scammon, labor	2.41	
Perley J. Wells, truck	4.00	
Gladys Chapman, salary	150.00	
	<hr/>	\$459.05

## TOWN POOR

Appropriation	\$300.00	
Balance	18.40	
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		\$281.60
Rockingham County Home	\$199.90	
George Hilton, surplus commodities	31.70	
John A. Hutton	50.00	
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		\$281.60

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$1,600.00	
Overdraft	40.89	
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		\$1,640.89
State of New Hampshire	\$1,640.89	
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		\$1,640.89

## INSURANCE

Appropriation	\$500.00	
Overdraft	78.30	
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		\$578.30
DeMeritt Agency		
Library	\$29.19	
Highway Department	90.94	
W. Douglas Scamman		
Fire House & Sheds	72.72	
Library	74.40	
New Highway Garage	67.05	
New Fire House	149.00	
Mass. Bonding & Insurance Co.		
Accident Policy (Fire Dept.)	95.00	
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		\$578.30

## STRATHAM HILL PARK

Received from Lumber	\$227.25	
Overdraft	149.03	
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		\$376.28
Stanley French, labor	\$8.00	
Waite Schurman, labor	8.00	
Leslie C. Scammon, labor	4.80	
Peirce Construction Co., loam	225.00	
Exeter School Band Ass'n.	50.00	
Charles A. Parker, spray	2.98	
Cobbs Radio & Tel., sound truck	15.00	
Batchelder's Bookstore, flag	13.50	
Perley J. Wells, rubbish removal	39.00	
George Leavitt, labor	10.00	
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		\$376.28

## CEMETERIES

Appropriation	\$100.00	
Overdraft	5.00	
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		\$105.00
J. Lamson Emery, mowing	\$100.00	
Albert Stevens	5.00	
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		\$105.00

## FIRE DAMAGE TO TOWN HALL

Insurance	\$10,000.00	
Balance	3,782.37	
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		\$6,217.63
Transferred to Fire House	\$4,000.00	
Horace G. Bradt	1,107.00	
S. Scoot Thompson, fig. fire loss	200.00	
J. H. Morgan & Son, labor	5.00	

Ben's Foto Shop	10.00	
Earl Barker, labor	6.60	
John A. Hutton, truck & labor	26.45	
Frank Barker, labor	8.25	
Peirce Construction Co.	838.45	
Roy Goodridge, repairs on burner	15.88	
	<hr/>	\$6,217.63

#### ABATEMENTS AND REFUNDS

Stanley French, road tax	\$28.70	
Laurence E. Foss	21.50	
Irving Spencer, auto refund	9.88	
George E. Clark, auto refund	6.96	
Edward Maloney, auto refund	5.75	
	<hr/>	\$72.79

#### ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL ASS'N.

Appropriation	\$100.00	
	<hr/>	\$100.00
Seacoast Reg. Development Ass'n.	\$100.00	
	<hr/>	\$100.00

#### INTEREST

Exeter Banking Company	\$215.38	
	<hr/>	\$215.38



## DAMAGE AND LEGAL EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$100.00	
Overdraft	77.30	
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		\$177.30
Robert Calef, dog damage	\$10.00	
George M. Johnson, dog damage	10.00	
Frank A. Batchelder	157.30	
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		\$177.30

## NEW HIGHWAY GARAGE

Appropriation	\$5,000.00	
Balance	42.00	
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		\$4,958.00
Earl L. Wiggin	\$4,958.00	
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		\$4,958.00

## FIRE DAMAGE, EQUIPMENT

Appropriation	\$4,000.00	
Balance	1,678.19	
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		\$2,321.81
Weston Emerg. Light Co., fire hose	\$619.00	
Auto Electric Service, lights	34.36	
Robert T. Wiggin	29.40	
State of N. H., fire tools	4.05	
R. C. Hazelton Co., Inc., highway equipment	1,635.00	
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		\$2,321.81

## TAX SALE

Ralph D. Parkman, tax collector	\$89.52	
	<hr/>	\$89.52

## PAYMENT OF LONG TERM NOTES

The Exeter Banking Co.,		
Road Aid, T.R.A.	\$1,550.00	
The Exeter Banking Co., grader	1,700.00	
	<hr/>	\$3,250.00

## COUNTY TAX

Appropriation	\$4,265.63	
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Winston H. Lothrop,		
County Treasurer	\$4,265.63	
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## SCHOOL TAX

Appropriation	\$45,120.80	
Balance of 1955 tax	20,341.88	
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	\$65,462.68	
Due School District	15,120.80	
	<hr/>	\$50,341.88
School District, 1955 tax	\$20,341.88	
School District, 1956 tax	30,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$50,341.88

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

### Appropriation

Summer Roads	\$6,600.00	
Winter Roads	3,000.00	
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	\$9,600.00	
Overdraft	2,017.62	
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		\$11,617.62

Ernest T. Wiggin, Agent & truck	\$1,403.20
Waitt Schurman, labor	260.10
John Fuller, truck	381.00
Stanley French, labor	361.00
Robert T. Wiggin, labor & tractor	705.33
Merrimack Farmer's Ex., salt	149.50
Monpal Inc., salt	258.00
Stratham Grocery, gas & oil	23.83
Ernest T. Wiggin, labor	9.00
Stephen Vickery, sand & truck	82.00
Herman Lewis, sand	11.00
Earl L. Wiggin, truck	110.95
Albert H. Stevens, truck, tractor and gravel	1,119.87
Callahan Oil Service, fuel & deisel	207.11
White's Welding Shop, repairs	28.58
Gilbert Stevens, labor	9.00
Burleigh Fernald, jeep	41.50
J. E. Faltin Trans. Co.	2.95
R. G. Hazelton Co., Inc., repairs and parts	478.45
Wentworth Motor Co., repairs	40.06
Walter Pease, tractor	111.50
Russell Simpson, grader	85.50
P. J. Coakley, bulldozer	378.00
Richard Scamman, tractor	10.00
Harry Foote, labor	9.00

Nelson Barker, tractor	32.00	
John Hutton, Jr., tractor	16.00	
Iafolla Constr. Co., patch	121.60	
Goldman Tire Outlet, repairs	19.15	
W. A. Scamman & Son, bush killer and anti-freeze	74.62	
Weaver Bros., tarring roads	4,725.30	
Weaver Bros., patch & winter sand	213.75	
Warren Chapman, labor	3.75	
Kenneth Grant, labor	6.88	
David Noyes, labor	18.75	
Panther Co., grease & oil	81.50	
Stratham Hardware & Lumber Co., supplies	1.99	
Internal Revenue, tax	25.90	
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		\$11,617.62

## TRUST FUND ACCOUNT

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Principal amounts of Town trust  
funds as of Jan. 1, 1956:

Cemetery funds	\$10,675.00
Library funds	6,400.00
Stratham Hill Park funds	4,000.00
Capital Reserve fund (Central school)	1,000.00
Fund for the benefit of Mary F. Weeks	950.00
Highway fund	5.00
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	\$23,030.00

Trust funds received during 1956:

Edmunds cemetery fund for care of Edmunds lot in Greenwood cemetery	\$200.00
Leavitt-McDonald cemetery fund	300.00
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	\$500.00

Unexpended income on hand Jan. 1, 1956:

On deposit in various banks	\$933.44
Cash in checking account	256.50
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	\$1,189.94

Income accruing during year 1956

From Government bonds	\$150.00
From Amoskeag Savings Bank	244.04
From Plaistow Co-op. Bank	173.35
From Investment certificates	8.00

From Exeter Co-op. Bank	33.12
From Portsmouth Savings Bank	38.55
From Manchester Fed. Savings and Loan	19.80
From Mechanics Savings Bank	14.33
From Exeter Banking Company	29.82

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\$711.01

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Total Debits \$25,430.95

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Principal amounts of Town trust  
funds as of Dec. 31, 1956

Cemetery funds	\$11,175.00
Library funds	6,400.00
Stratham Hill Park funds	4,000.00
Capital Reserve (Cen. school)	1,000.00
Fund for the benefit of Mary F. Weeks	950.00
Highway fund	5.00

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\$23,530.00

Income payments during 1956:

To Library treasurer	\$187.55
To Mary F. (Weeks) Malz	30.88
To John F. Emery for cemetery work	
Season of 1955	\$22.50
Season of 1956	55.00
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To J. Lamson Emery for  
cemetery work

Season of 1955	\$94.98
Season of 1956	113.00
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To Walter H. Pease for cemetery work Season of 1955		
Hiram Wiggin lot	\$14.50	
Ezra Barker lot	15.00	
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To Thomas W. Cole & Sons		
Work on Rollins lot	\$13.75	
Work on Gear lot	9.75	
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		\$556.91
Unexpended income on hand December 31, 1956:		
On deposit in various banks	\$1,050.82	
Cash in checking account	293.22	
	<hr/>	\$1,344.04
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Total Credits		\$25,430.95

## CERTIFICATION

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This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.  
January, 1957.

RALPH D. PARKMAN,  
JOHN A. HUTTON, JR.  
Trustees of Trust Funds.

## AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

January 28, 1957.

We have examined the accounts of the Trustees of Trust Funds for the fiscal year 1956 and find these accounts properly cast and balanced. We have also checked all bank books and securities in the custody of the Trustees and find them all in order.

FRANCIS WIGGIN,  
JAMES SCAMMAN,

Town Auditors

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# Trust Funds

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1925	Edmund B. Lane Library fund Books for Town Library	Amoskeag Savings Bank	1,000.00	3 1/4	32.50	32.50	
1928	George L. Barker cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	3 1/4	30.08	7.40	21.48
1929	George W. Dixon Library fund Books for Town Library	Amoskeag Savings Bank	1,000.00	3 1/4		32.50	32.50
1930	M. Abbie Sanborn cemetery fund Care of Brown lot - Greenwood	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	4.24	3.33	7.50 .07
1930 & 1933	Paine Wingate cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	2.53	3.29	4.00 1.82
1931 & 1933	Joseph C. A. Wingate cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	3.28	3.36	6.64
1931	George W. Dixon cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Mechanics Savings Bank	200.00	3	39.19	7.10	13.00 33.29
1931	Mary W. Towle cemetery fund Care of lot - Hiram Wiggin farm	Mechanics Savings Bank	200.00	3	46.87	7.23	14.50 39.60
1931	Mary W. Towle Trust fund Income to Mary F. Weeks	Amoskeag Savings Bank	950.00	3 1/4		30.88	30.88
1932	Horace M. Hill Library fund Books for Town Library	Amoskeag Savings Bank	1,000.00	3 1/4		32.50	32.50
1932	Horace M. Hill Park fund Upkeep of Stratham Hill Park	Amoskeag Savings Bank	500.00	3 1/4	38.35	16.65	55.00
1932	Horace M. Hill highway fund Removing stones - Town roads	Amoskeag Savings Bank	5.00	3 1/4	4.04	.30	4.34
1933 & 1936	Caroline W. Baker cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	250.00	3 1/4	20.34	8.90	8.00 21.24
1934	Annie L. Harvey cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	1.20	3.34	4.54
1936	George Wingate cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Exeter Cooperative Bank	200.00	3	.11	6.04	6.15

# REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF STRATHAM, DECEMBER 31, 1956

Date of Creation	TRUST FUND — PURPOSE OF CREATION	How Invested	Amount of Principal			Rate of Interest	Bal. of Income on Hand		Income During Year	Expended During Year	Bal. of Income on Hand
							at Beginning of Year				
1937	J. H. LeRoy cemetery fund										
	Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Exeter Cooperative Bank	100.00	3			23.30		3.71		27.01
1937	Joseph T. Smart cemetery fund										
	Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Exeter Cooperative Bank	100.00	3			.02		3.01		3.03
1938	Edward Clapp cemetery fund										
	Care of lot - Greenwood	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4			4.05		3.33	7.25	.13
1938	George H. Ellison cemetery fund										
	Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4			1.79		3.27	3.00	2.06
1939	George H. Bowley cemetery fund										
	Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4			37.85		4.57		42.42
1939	Hannah M. Barker cemetery fund										
	Care of lot - Ezra Barker farm	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4			41.10		4.37	15.00	30.47
1944	Charles E. Clark cemetery fund										
	Care of lot - Greenwood	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	3 1/4			11.48		6.81	13.00	5.29
1944	Albert P. Smith cemetery fund										
	Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4			2.24		3.29	3.50	2.03
1944	Nathaniel Wiggin cemetery fund										
	Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	150.00	3 1/4			3.55		4.93	6.00	2.48



1945	L. J. Batchelder cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	.63	3.35	3.98
1945	John Wiggin cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	3 1/4	12.08	6.85	5.93
1946	John S. Scammon cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	150.00	3 1/4	3.55	4.93	2.48
1946	Charles E. Gear cemetery fund Care of lot & improvement of cem.	U. S. Savings Bonds Series G	1,000.00	2 1/2	12.50	25.00	4.75
1946	Charles E. Gear Library fund Books & care of Library grounds	U. S. Savings Bonds Series G	2,500.00	2 1/2		62.50	62.50
1946	Charles E. Gear Park fund Upkeep of Stratham Hill Park	U. S. Savings Bonds Series G	2,500.00	2 1/2	156.25	62.50	218.75
1947	Minnie S. Sanderson cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Exeter Cooperative Bank	250.00	3	14.99	7.80	9.79
1948	William Dining cemetery fund No. 1 Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Exeter Cooperative Bank Investment Certificate	100.00	3	14.85	3.45	18.30
1949	William Dining cemetery fund No. 2 Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Plaistow Cooperative Bank Investment Certificate	100.00	4	22.50	4.00	18.50
1949	David Batchelder cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	100.00	4	11.50	4.00	7.50
1949	Frank H. Barker cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	3 1/4	3.73	3.33	1.06
1949	May I. Gowen cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	3 1/4	12.59	6.96	19.55
1949	Samuel J. Sinclair cemetery fund Care of lot - Upper cemetery	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	100.00	3	.35	3.01	3.36
1950	Albert C. Lane cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	100.00	3	5.03	3.03	.06
1951	David Jewell cemetery fund Care of lot - Greenwood	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	300.00	3	20.59	9.32	13.91

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Date of Creation	TRUST FUND — PURPOSE OF CREATION	How Invested	Amount of Principal				Bal. of Income on Hand			
			Rate of Interest				at Beginning of Year			
							Income During Year	Expended During Year		
1951	Parry C. Wiggin Trust fund									
	Care & main. - Greenwood cem.	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	2,000.00	3		101.35	63.19			164.54
1952	Henry L. Jewell Park fund									
	Upkeep of Stratham Hill Park	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	1,000.00	3		96.20	33.15			129.35
1952	Henry L. Jewell cemetery fund									
	Care of lot No. 105 - Greenwood	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	200.00	3		14.55	6.34	11.00		9.89
1952	Henry L. Jewell cemetery fund									
	Care of lot No. 26 - Greenwood	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	200.00	3		12.95	6.30	11.00		8.25
1952	Florence E. Rollins cemetery fund									
	Care of lot & stones - Upper cem.	Plaistow Cooperative Bank	500.00	3		29.62	15.86	21.75		23.73
1947	School Dist. Capital Reserve									
	For use of Central School	Exeter Banking Co.	1,000.00	2 1/2		187.17	29.82			216.99
1953	Avis L. Luippold cemetery fund									
	Care of lot - Greenwood	Exeter Cooperative Bank	200.00	3		6.05	6.10	9.00		3.15
1954	DeWitt C. Chapman cemetery fund									
	Care of lot - Greenwood	Manchester Federal Savings and Loan	200.00	3 1/4		7.09	6.65	9.00		4.74
1954	Scammon-Lang cemetery fund									
	Care of lot - Greenwood	Manchester Federal Savings and Loan	200.00	3 1/4		7.09	6.65	9.00		4.74

1955	George H. Odell cemetery fund						
	Care of lot - Greenwood						
1956	Gile - Edmunds, cemetery fund						
	Care of lot - Greenwood						
1956	Leavitt - MacDonald cemetery fund						
	Care of lots 33 & 102 - Greenwood						
		Amoskeag Savings Bank	200.00	3 1/4	6.55	5.00	1.55
		Manchester Federal Sav.					
		& Loan Association	200.00	3 1/4	3.25	3.00	.25
		Manchester Federal Sav.					
		& Loan Association	300.00	3 1/4	3.25	3.00	.25
		TOTALS	\$23,530.00		\$1,189.94	\$556.91	\$1,344.04

## REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

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Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1956 \$106.90

Interest on:

Edmund B. Lane fund	\$32.50	
George W. Dixon fund	32.50	
Horace M. Hills fund	32.50	
Emma B. Wiggin fund	45.00	
Charles E. Gear fund	62.50	
Amanda Lane fund	21.00	
Mary J. Roberts fund	6.55	
Sale of Telephone rights	33.50	
Interest on Bank a/c	1.98	
		\$268.03

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\$374.93

Paid Out:

Goodman's Bookstore	\$192.95
James Peabody	18.00
Albert H. Stevens	2.00

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\$212.95

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1956 161.98

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\$374.93

## NEW BOOKS — 1956

Ackerman, Laurence,	
Bugle, Ralph W., Editors	Risks We Face
Allen, Fred	Much Ado About Me
Anderson, C. W.	The Horse of Hurricane Hill
Anderson, Marion	My Lord, What A Morning
April, Steve	Route 13
Ashton, Helen	Half Crown House
Axminister, Paul	Swiftwater
Bassett, Sara Ware	South Cove Summer
Bendick, Jeanne	Electronics for Young People
Bernstein, Morey	The Search for Bridey Murphy
Blackington, Alton Hall	More Yankee Yarns
Brooks, Van Wyck	Helen Keller
Buck, Pearl	Imperial Woman
Bush, Christopher	The Case of the Benevolent Bookie
Carlton, M. D., Mary Styrsky	Fifty Years in Medicine
Carter, Fern	Braided Rug Book
Christie, Agatha	Deadman's Folly
Collier, Richard	Captain of the Queens
Comandier, Adele	Doctor Kate
Disney, Doris Miles	Unappointed Rounds
Duncan, John M.	Down the Mast Road
Field, Peter	Powder Valley Renegade
Field, Peter	Strike for Tomahawk
Fosdick, Harry Emerson	The Living of These Days
Gardner, Erle Stanley	The Case of the Demure Defendant
Gardner, Erle Stanley	The Gilded Lily
Gault, William Campbell	Square in the Middle
Gilbert, Anthony	And Death Came Too
Gipson, Fred	Old Yeller
Goudge, Elizabeth	The Rosemary Tree
Grey, Zane	Stranger from the Tonto

Hall-Quest, Olga	Wyatt Earp
Haycox, Ernest	The Adventurers
Herbert, Crystal	Royal Children of Today
Jennison, Kieth W.	The Boys and Their Mother
Joscelyn, Archie	The Sundowners
Kearney, Paul W.	How to Drive Better and Avoid Accidents
Kennedy, John F.	Profiles in Courage
Kimbrough, Emily	Water, Water, Everywhere
Lambert, Janet	Fly Away Cinda
Lancaster, Bruce	Roll Shenandoah
Lane, Ferdinand	All About the Sea
Lockridge, Frances & Richard	The Faceless Adversary
Lofts, Nora	Afternoon of an Autocrat
Loring, Emilie	What Then Is Love
MacDonald, Evelyn Ward	The Turning Tide
Maughan, A. M.	Harry of Monmouth
Merrill, Margaret	Bears in My Kitchen
Milne, Louis J. & Margery	The World of Night
Moore, Ruth	Speak to the Winds
O'Conner, Edwin	The Last Hurrah
O'Gilvie, Elizabeth	Blueberry Summer
O'Gilvie, Elizabeth	The Dawning of the Day
Petry, Ann	Harriet Fabman
Piper, Watty; Editor	Stories Children Love
Pough, Frederick	All About Volcanos and Earthquakes
Rich, Louise Dickenson	The Coast of Maine
Rowe, Captain Basil F.	Under My Wings
Runyon, Milton and	Around the U. S. A. in Bergane, Velma F.
Schindler, M.D., John A.	1,000 Pictures
Seifert, Elizabeth	How to Live 365 Days
Seifert, Elizabeth	A Doctor for Blue Jay Cove
Siefert, Elizabeth	A Call for Doctor Barton





## PROPERTY VALUATION

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The following pages are the valuations of the real estate of the Town of Stratham made by the Selectmen as of April 1, 1956.

Name	Acres	Value
Aldrich, Mary E.	14	\$2,300.00
Amsden, Ralph V. and Alice E.	88	12,000.00
Bacon, Susie S.	30	1,500.00
Barker, Nelson E. and Hilda G.	135	7,500.00
Barker, Chester H. and Vida P.	5½	4,000.00
Barker, Donald L. and Evelyn G.	29	5,600.00
Barker, Earl L. and Margaret	9	2,500.00
Barker, Florence D.	3½	3,800.00
Barker, C. Warren, Jr.	¼	4,200.00
Barker, Willard Heirs of	83	6,600.00
Beairsto, Alfred E. and Mattie	10	5,200.00
Beairsto, Mattie (4 house lots)		800.00
Beairsto, John H. and Naomi R.	¼	4,800.00
Beard, Harold and Carolyn	½	3,200.00
Berry, Robert S. and Marjorie	12	6,400.00
Berry, Robert S., Marjorie and Etta	97	7,000.00
Berry, Thomas W. and Precilla B.	½	6,000.00
Brant, Johncia	¼	2,300.00
Breslin, James E. and Ruth M.	65	5,000.00
Brewster, Charles R.	30	600.00
Brewster, Marion T.	2¾	4,500.00
Brooks, Phillips and Amy W.	6	3,600.00
Brown, Charles R. and Marion J.	10	3,500.00
Brown, George R. and Barbara L.	1	4,500.00
Bume, Rudolph L. and Lucy B.	4½	500.00
Bradley, Norman and Margaret	74	6,000.00
Carlson, Wilbur and Rachel	¼	2,000.00
Calef, Robert G. and Olive B.	2	3,700.00
Call, Albert C. and Katherene	24	2,700.00

Cammett, George W.	1	1,000.00
Capron, Richard and Rae N.	1¼	4,000.00
Carbonneau, Eugene W. and Laura	54	4,300.00
Carter, Marlboro	20	1,800.00
Caverno, Albert D. and Margaret L.	8	3,000.00
Cadieux Wayside Furniture	5	15,000.00
Chapman, Gladys A. & L. Russell (Camp)	5	700.00
Chapman, Gladys A. & L. Russell (Home)	1	3,300.00
Chapman, Norris and Margaret	⅓	250.00
Chapman, Warren D. and Alice G.	17	2,000.00
Charbonneau, Charles	10	5,000.00
Chase, John E. and Jessie B.	3	3,000.00
Chase, Marshall S. and Bertha G.	91	5,400.00
Chase, Oliver B. and Nathalie	90	5,000.00
Chase, Harold S.	1¼	3,200.00
Chick, Fred C. and Mildred L.	7	1,800.00
Chisholm, William Heirs of	180	6,500.00
Christie Realty Inc.	270	40,000.00
Clements, Gladys	5	3,000.00
Clements, Robert G., Jr.		500.00
Clark, George and Elizabeth	1	1,000.00
Cole, John P. and Marion	61½	8,400.00
Cole, Richard E. and Dorothy M.	1	3,500.00
Cooper, Edward S. Heirs of	32	1,200.00
Cote, Octave P. and Antoinette	1	2,500.00
Cottrell, Albert	48	3,400.00
Conery, Leslie	17	2,200.00
Cushman, Arthur B.	2	3,600.00
Cushman, Harry	4	2,300.00
Crystal Springs Farms	122	13,200.00
DeCamp, Clara T.	2	3,100.00
Devine, Benjamin F. and Minnie Y.	2¼	3,500.00
Dietsch, Harold E. and Yvonne B.	1	3,500.00
Dixwell, Bazel S. and Barbara S.	85	7,500.00
Dreher, Gerald W. and Martha K.	2	8,000.00
Duthie, William H. and Lillian D.	115	7,500.00

Dow, Lena Mae	$\frac{1}{3}$	2,500.00
Eaton, Laurence M. and Helen R.	3	3,000.00
Eldridge, Lester E.	12	3,600.00
Elmore, Robert L. and Dorothy	140	8,500.00
Emery, John Heirs of	23	5,500.00
Evans, Roger	11	4,800.00
Ertel, Kenneth		250.00
Ferguson, Carl and Helen	4	3,800.00
Fernald, Burleigh	180	8,200.00
Fischer, Gladys	3	2,500.00
Fisk, G. Frank	2	3,500.00
Flagg, David W. and Freda	157	4,500.00
Foote, Leah B.	$\frac{1}{2}$	3,100.00
Foss, Laurence E. and Kathleen E.	53	7,000.00
Fountain, Flora S.	$2\frac{1}{2}$	7,000.00
Flanders, Fred L.	5	2,200.00
French, John D. Heirs of	60	1,500.00
French, Stanley G. and Ruth R.	78	7,600.00
Fryer, Malcolm F.	$11\frac{1}{2}$	3,500.00
Gassett, Mildred	$12\frac{1}{2}$	4,100.00
Gendron, Joseph	3	5,600.00
Gendron, George	$7\frac{1}{2}$	3,500.00
Gifford, John R.	130	6,000.00
Goodrich and Parkman	68	6,000.00
Gorshel, Arthur D.	53	3,500.00
Gowen Bros.	190	18,000.00
Hall, Francis N. and Marietta	12	6,000.00
Happy's Garage		1,000.00
Hammond, John D. and Harriet Y.	4	2,000.00
Hersey, Frederick L., Jr.	60	3,800.00
Herndon, Gorden D. and Rebecca	39	8,000.00
Higginson, Francis L.	30	18,000.00
Hill, Leon R. and Mabel	1	3,500.00
Houghton, Milton and Helen	$\frac{3}{4}$	3,000.00
Houghton, Peter	$\frac{1}{2}$	1,500.00
Humes, Walter R.	166	6,400.00

Hutton, John A., Jr. and Charlette	72	12,200.00
Hutton, Fred A.	1½	250.00
Jettie, John V. and Jane G.	¼	4,000.00
Jewell, Arthur	6	2,020.00
Jewell, Charles E.	22	3,200.00
Jewell, Hattie and Sadie	44	5,000.00
Jewell, H. Roby and Nellie M.	82	9,800.00
Jewell, George C.	66	5,300.00
Kenneburg, Robert S. and Eldeine	5	3,300.00
Klesaris, Mildred M.	2	2,500.00
La Branche, Raymond N.	1	3,000.00
Laine, Henry	6	2,300.00
Laviolette, Arthur J.	15	3,500.00
Laviolette, Edward L.	20	3,600.00
Libby, William	8	2,500.00
LeFavour, George and Richard C.	6	2,000.00
Lowther, Dorothy		3,800.00
Marsh, Abner R.	40	4,400.00
Marston, Wallace V.	3	2,200.00
Marston, Norman E. and Gertrude M.	300	9,400.00
Maloney, Louise V. Heirs of	52	3,950.00
Mason, Everett	1	3,000.00
Merrill, Leroy B.	½	3,000.00
Moore, F. Laurence and Lois S.	103	10,500.00
MacKenzie, Alexander	3	3,800.00
MacNeill, Harold A. and Laurel	50	4,400.00
McLane, William T.	1	4,500.00
McNally, Everett	1	2,500.00
Mara, Edward X.	½	4,500.00
Nichols, Irving	6	1,800.00
Noyes, David	58	5,300.00
O'Brien, James	½	2,200.00
O'Brien, Daniel S.	5¾	3,200.00
O'Hear, Hugh	5	3,800.00
O'dell, Lillian Heirs of	7¼	4,615.00
O'Leary, Thomas and Enid	48	5,000.00



Pace, Faith E. and Ralph	1½	3,100.00
Parker, Charles A.	5	3,500.00
Parkman, Ralph and Ruth	1¾	3,600.00
Peabody, Charles W. and Katherine	18	3,600.00
Pease, Walter H. and Elaine D.	84	8,000.00
Piper, Harold A. and Edith B.	64½	17,000.00
Piper, Mildred T.	2	5,000.00
Puffer, Stanwood	14	4,200.00
Puffer, Carolyn	2½	150.00
Perkins, Frank and Myra	1	5,000.00
Rawson, Verne E.	1	3,000.00
Rawson, Verne E., Jr.	1½	3,700.00
Rawson, Herbert		2,700.00
Remick, Fred	13	4,000.00
Roberts, William H.		3,700.00
Roby, James T.	17	3,500.00
Rogalski, Elsa and Edward	103	3,700.00
Rogers, Henry J.	39	4,200.00
Ross, G. Douglas and Nancy	228	9,500.00
Runnells, Morrill P.	10	4,550.00
Rumrill, Earl	½	3,500.00
Rowe, Christopher	½	4,000.00
Saltonstall, Henry	96	18,000.00
Salter, John L.	9	4,000.00
Sanderson, Rodney	84½	5,200.00
Scamman, Charles J.	1	1,800.00
Scamman, Walter A. and Elizabeth	65	5,000.00
Scamman, Walter and Richard	200	2,600.00
Scamman, Richard and Barbara	½	2,600.00
Scamman, Irving H.	2	2,000.00
Scamman, James	1½	3,000.00
Scamman, Ralph	1	250.00
Scammon, Leslie C.	25	8,200.00
Schoch, John and Evelyn	16	4,400.00
Sciglano, Joseph and Frances	65	5,000.00
Senechal, Leo	½	4,000.00



Sewall, Dougald	221	11,625.00
Sherbuck, Michael	40	10,000.00
Simms, William E.	185	12,000.00
Silver, Edward S.	8	1,600.00
Skinner, Louise	19	2,200.00
Spinney, Harlow and Elizabeth	1½	3,500.00
Stevens, Albert	23	2,700.00
Stockbridge, Carl D.	6	4,000.00
Stratham Manor Inc.	2	8,000.00
Stratham Hardware and Lumber Co.		17,500.00
Sturges, Allan	106	18,000.00
Schurman, Arthur	5	6,500.00
Sullivan, Francis	1	3,700.00
Tebo, Eli J.	1	3,700.00
Tewksbury, Lee B.	14	6,200.00
Tuck, Frank W. and Mary R.	1½	7,200.00
Tucker, Raymond	4	8,900.00
Twardus, John	1	3,000.00
Walker, Wilson and Madeline	12	3,500.00
Wells, Melvin	2	1,000.00
Wells, Perley J.	13	1,500.00
Weeks, Bradley E.	1	3,600.00
Wentworth, Folger	3	4,500.00
Wentworth, Forrest P.	8	3,800.00
Wentworth, Forrest P., Jr.	1½	4,000.00
Wentworth, Rose E.	3	2,600.00
Whitten, Guy	10	2,500.00
Wentworth, Francis	11½	4,000.00
Whittaker, Arnold and Jean	58	10,000.00
Wiggin, Dana L.	5	3,200.00
Wiggin, Earl L.	163	7,600.00
Wiggin, Elmer R.	4	4,700.00
Wiggin, Ernest T.	2	8,600.00
Wiggin, Ernest T., Jr.	1½	300.00
Wiggin, Edwin A.	10	3,000.00
Wiggin, George B. Heirs of	10	2,800.00

Wiggin, Francis and Jean	1½	2,500.00
Wiggin, Robert T. and Bertha	137	8,000.00
Wiggin, Earl L., Jr.	6	3,000.00
Witham, Fred	1	200.00
William, S. W.	¼	2,100.00
Young, Robert	119	7,000.00
York, Sewall		1,000.00

#### Non-Residents

American Oil Co.		300.00
Allen Forrest L. and Hilda	⅔	100.00
Buckman, Edwin L., Jr. and Virginia	¾	100.00
Barton, Charles	8	80.00
Batchelder, Richard A.	25	500.00
Batchelder, Edwin	7	70.00
Booker, Lora A.	62	600.00
Breslin, Charles	3	100.00
Bradford, William C.	217	8,500.00
Colby, Wayne M.	76	1,000.00
Carpenter, Jessie Heirs of	10	50.00
Chevalier, J. E., Heirs of	5	25.00
Cornelius, Ethel B.	16	100.00
Cardoze, Maniel S. and Joan P.	6½	400.00
Cities Service Oil Co.		300.00
Chase, Charles H.	75	3,600.00
Davenport, Paul R.	5	3,600.00
Dagostino, Mary	1½	1,500.00
Dow, Richard and Benjamin	65	1,200.00
Durgin, George H.	21	300.00
Duton, Ida	1	100.00
Dalla Mura, Bart	½	100.00
Dalton, Millard E.	3	50.00
DeRochemont, Gladys	8	250.00
Exeter and Hampton Elec. Co.		36,800.00
Exeter Water Works	5	4,000.00
Elingwood, Austin P.	59	400.00

Exeter Associates Inc.	1½	500.00
Fitzgerald, Jeremiah	1	100.00
Gould, Franklin F. and Nelson, Charles B.	7	2,000.00
Granton, Eleanor D.	51	9,900.00
Godfrey, Sherley G.	1	1,000.00
Gustafson, Pauline	2	500.00
Haverstraw, Charles	2	50.00
Halvorsen, Albert	1	50.00
Hatch, Rosalie	40	1,000.00
Hatch, June R.	2	200.00
Haley, Harold E.	5	100.00
Haley, Joseph G., Jr.	6	50.00
Hunt, Mary E. and Wilbur, Frank B.	84	1,000.00
Hatchell, Katherine	30	1,300.00
Hoyt, Charles E.	4	100.00
Jewell, Ralph L.	2½	25.00
Janvrin, Jeanette	¼	100.00
Kearns, George	¼	1,500.00
Lanzillo, Kenneth F. and Fay	18	2,500.00
LaLond, Harold F. and Florence	30	3,200.00
Leavett, Irvine Heirs of	11	100.00
Locke, Albert E. Heirs of	4	50.00
Mahoney, J. Myles	8½	100.00
Moody, Catherine E.		5,500.00
Moody, Sherman, Heirs of	13	65.00
More, Frank E.	12	60.00
McAllister, Paul	22	500.00
Michaelis, Marion W.	4	500.00
Morris, Thomas	43	600.00
N. H. Electric Co.		25,000.00
O'dell, James Heirs of	¼ Int. 5¼	15.00
Pace, Barbara	8	50.00
Page, Ola M. Heirs of	22	200.00
Pace, Earl R.	1	100.00
Pesse, Emilo F.	27	3,600.00
Pettingill, George H.	165	7,200.00

Pierce, Stanley D. and Eleanor	28	4,000.00
Public Service Co. of N. H.		74,000.00
Raymond, Laurence G. and Hazel Mae	6	60.00
Rollins, Carrie	34	340.00
Robinson, Sheldren A. and Eva	7	35.00
Roberts, Eugene	5	150.00
Rosa, William	5	4,200.00
Reader, Mildred	175	10,800.00
Rollins, Nellie	65	650.00
Rollins, Harrison R. and Mary C.	16	200.00
Savage, David and Blanche B.		100.00
Seavey, Ralph	50	800.00
Smart, John Heirs of	$\frac{1}{4}$ Int. 5 $\frac{1}{4}$	15.00
Smart, Joseph Heirs of	$\frac{1}{4}$ Int. 5 $\frac{1}{4}$	15.00
Stickney, Emma Heirs of	20	500.00
Sharp, Reginald and Charlotte	6	3,800.00
Stanley, Raymond W. and Constance	103	7,200.00
Shaw, Albert	3	30.00
Spinney, Clayton S. and Barbara	9	50.00
Severance, Seline Heirs of	57	500.00
Severance, Fred Heirs of	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	50.00
Swearington, Chester		1,800.00
Schock, Edgar J. and Mary Agnes		250.00
Smith, Florence	32	3,100.00
Tuttle, Charles R. and Alice		200.00
Tessier, Robert L. and Irene L.		2,500.00
Winkler, Stephen	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	200.00
Wolfe, Eunice L. and Traphagen Bertha	3	50.00
Winch, Carl and Perscilla	1	250.00
Yeo, Robert	6	2,400.00
Summerfield, Charles	60	600.00

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# School Report

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## SCHOOL WARRANT

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### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Stratham qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Stratham Memorial School in said district on the fourth day of March 1957, at eight o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming years.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.
8. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$85,000. for the construction, equipment and furnishing of an addition of one or more rooms to the Elementary School, including necessary alterations to the present school; and whether the District will vote to raise all or any portion of the sum appropriated through the issuance of serial notes or bonds upon the credit of the District under and in



accordance with the provisions of Chapter 33, Revised Statutes Annotated, of New Hampshire; and further to authorize the School Board to determine the interest rate to be borne by said notes or bonds; the denominations and form of said notes or bonds; the time and place of payment of principal and interest, and terms of sale; and further to authorize the School Board to sign and affix the seal of the District to said notes or bonds and the Treasurer to countersign the same; and further to authorize the School Board to apply against this appropriation the \$16,740. now held in reserve for the District by the Federal Government.

9. If the preceding article is adopted, to see if the District will continue the present Committee as a Building Committee for the new construction and to authorize the School Board acting upon the advice of the Building Committee, to execute any and all contracts or agreements necessary, proper and advisable in connection with this construction.

10. To see if the District will authorize the School Board to make application for and to receive in the name of the District such advances, grants and aid or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United State government or any State agency.

11. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not exceeding \$6000. for payments of principal and interest during the school year of 1957-1958 on the notes or bonds if any such are raised and appropriated under Article 8.

12. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to apply the sum of \$955. which represents the balance of Federal Aid receipts since July 1, 1956 for the school year 1956-1957, for teachers bonuses and necessary repairs to the school.

13. To see what action the District will vote to take regarding the possible adoption of the non-partisan ballot system for the District.

14. To see what sum of money the District will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District and to authorize the application against said appropriations of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriations, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

15. To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Stratham this seventh day of February 1957.

KATHERINE S. PEABODY  
HENRY SALTONSTALL, M.D.  
RAYMOND E. TUCKER

School Board of Stratham, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

KATHERINE S. PEABODY  
HENRY SALTONSTALL, M.D.  
RAYMOND E. TUCKER

School Board of Stratham, N. H.

# BUDGET OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF STRATHAM

## 1957 - 1958

### EXPENDITURES

	Expend. 1955-56	Estimated Expend. 1956-57	Adopted Budget 1957-58
<b>Administration:</b>			
Salaries of district officers	\$ 163.60	\$ 180.00	\$ 190.00
Superintendent's salary	303.75	381.80	418.00
Tax for state wide supervision	402.00	448.00	424.00
Salaries for other admin. personnel	281.35	320.00	320.00
Supplies and Expenses	150.61	266.00	300.00
<b>Instruction:</b>			
Teachers' salaries	11,368.34	12,200.00	20,440.00
Books & other instructional aids	358.67	375.00	900.00
Scholars' supplies	967.61	500.00	700.00
Supplies & other expenses	72.72		100.00
<b>Operation of School Plant:</b>			
Salaries of janitors	688.04	725.00	2,000.00
Fuel	948.62	900.00	1,800.00
Water, light, supplies & expenses	732.25	500.00	1,000.00
<b>Maintenance of School Plant:</b>			
Repairs and replacements	667.04	600.00	600.00
<b>Auxiliary Activities:</b>			
Health Supervision	276.75	365.00	375.00
Transportation, high	1,320.00	2,400.00	3,000.00
Transportation, elementary	4,680.00	3,600.00	4,000.00
Tuition, high	13,496.75	17,100.00	23,450.00
Tuition, elementary	8,625.00	9,450.00	3,525.00
School lunch	457.68	750.00	875.00
<b>Fixed Charges:</b>			
Teachers' Retirement	837.66	860.00	1,396.00
Insurance, treasury bonds, etc.	319.70	400.00	800.00
<b>TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSES</b>	<hr/> 47,118.74	<hr/> 52,320.80	<hr/> 66,613.00
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>			
New Equipment	137.15	200.00	200.00
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>	<hr/> 137.15	<hr/> 200.00	<hr/> 200.00

**Debt and Interest-**

Principal of debt	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Interest on debt	697.50	650.00	602.50

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES OR****SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS**

<u>49,952.79</u>	<u>55,170.80</u>	<u>69,615.50</u>
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**RECEIPTS**

Balance (actual or estimate)	3,833.67	3,270.04	
State Aid	4,522.70	6,906.78	6,906.78
Federal aid			
(P.L. 874 \$2,085.90 - Lunch \$418.68)	2,504.58	550.00	2,000.00
Other - Hot Lunch	20.00		675.00

**TOTAL RECEIPTS**

<u>10,880.95</u>
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**District Assessment**

<u>42,341.88</u>	<u>44,314.02</u>	<u>60,033.72</u>
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**TOTAL APPROPRIATION VOTED****BY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

<u>\$53,222.83</u>
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<u>\$69,615.50</u>
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**SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY 1955 - 1956**

Exeter	\$3,298.50
East Kingston	166.50
Greenland	355.50
Kensington	207.00
Newfields	168.75
Stratham	303.75
State's Share	2,500.00
	<u>\$7,000.00</u>

NEW HAMPSHIRE  
STATE TAX COMMISSION

FINANCIAL REPORT

OF THE

STRATHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

For the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1955  
and Ending June 30, 1956

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CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

RAYMOND A. HOYT,

Superintendent.

KATHERINE PEABODY,  
HENRY SALTONSALL, M.D.,  
RAYMOND E. TUCKER,

School Board.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

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### RECEIPTS

#### From local taxation:

Total school appropriation	\$42,341.88
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#### Received from State Treasurer:

State funds	\$4,522.70
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Federal funds for school lunches	418.68
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\$4,941.38

Received directly from Fed. agencies :	\$2,085.90
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#### Other sources of revenue:

Rent of school auditorium	20.00
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Total receipts from all sources	\$49,389.16
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Cash on hand July 1, 1955	3,833.67
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Grand total	\$53,222.83
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### PAYMENTS

#### For administration:

Salaries of district officers

(Less Social Security taxes)	\$156.80
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District's share of Supt's salary	303.75
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Tax for Statewide supervision	402.00
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Dist's share of other adm. sal.	281.15
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Supplies & other expenses	150.61
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\$1,294.31

#### Instruction:

Net salaries of teachers	\$9,118.95
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Federal taxes withheld	1,115.70
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Retirement withheld	944.49
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Blue Cross withheld	189.20
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Gross salaries	\$11,368.34
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Books & Other instr. aids	\$339.46
Scholars supplies	963.72
Other instructional expenses	12.50

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\$1,315.68

**Operation of School Plant:**

Janitor's sal., less Soc. Sec. taxes	\$671.30
Fuel oil	941.12
Janitor's supplies	209.85
Electricity	178.94
Telephone	72.72

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\$2,073.93

**Maintenance of School Plant:**

Repairs and replacements	\$1,027.10
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**Auxiliary activities:**

Health supervision	
Dist. share of school nurse's sal .	\$276.75
School lunches	
Paid from Fed. funds	\$418.68
Paid from District funds	39.00

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\$457.68

**Tranportation:**

Marshall's Trans. Co., contract	
For High School pupils	\$3,000.00
For Elementary pupils	3,000.00

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\$6,000.00

**Tuitions:**

At Exeter High	\$12,997.50
At Portsmouth High	550.00
	\$13,547.50
At Exeter Jr. High	8,574.25

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\$22,121.75



**Fixed Charges:**

Retirement		
Dist. share of teachers ret.	\$762.77	
Other retirement payments	44.75	
Social Sec. payments	50.48	
Social Sec. administration	4.90	
	<hr/>	\$862.90
Insurance on school property	\$301.50	
Liability insurance	18.20	
	<hr/>	\$319.70

**Capital Outlay:**

New equipment		\$137.15
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**Debt and Interest:**

Bonds retired	\$2,000.00	
Interest paid as due	697.50	
	<hr/>	\$2,697.50

Total payments:	\$49,952.79	
Cash on hand June 30, 1956	3,270.04	
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Grand Total	\$53,222.83	
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## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

As of June 30, 1956

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### Liabilities:

Bonds outstanding	\$30,000.00	
Capital Reserve funds	1,199.01	
	<hr/>	\$31,199.01

### Assets:

Capital Reserve funds	\$1,199.01	
Cash on hand June 30	3,270.04	
	<hr/>	\$4,469.05

Net debt—Liabilities less assets	<hr/>	\$26,729.96
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RALPH D. PARKMAN,

Treasurer of School District

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## AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

August 4, 1956

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the Stratham School District, Ralph D. Parkman, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and find them correct in all respects, with a balance of Three Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Dollars and Four cents (\$3,270.04).

PAULINE F. SCAMMON,

Auditor

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

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To the School Board of Stratham, New Hampshire:

It is with pleasure that I submit my ninth annual report as superintendent of schools.

The school year 1956-1957 began with the following teaching staff:

Mrs. Gwendolyn Allen, principal and teacher of grades 5-6.

Mrs. Bertha Wiggin, grades 4-5.

Mrs. Gladys Clements, grades 2-3.

Mrs. Hilda Barker, grades 1-2.

Mrs. Eleanor Henry, music teacher.

Miss Mary Shea, school nurse.

There was one change in the personnel of the previous year. Mrs. Gwendolyn Allen of Shirley Mills, Maine, replaced Miss Edna Crane as principal and teacher of the upper grades.

The staff is conscientious and dependable and is working hard to provide good training for the boys and girls.

I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to Miss Edna Crane who retired last June after serving the community as a teacher for over thirty years. She was always sincere, diligent and faithful in her work. The contribution which she made to the young people of this district is immeasurable.

The plan for an addition to the building which has been prepared by the Building Committee and approved by the district is in my opinion a very good one. It provides for four additional classrooms, a stage for the

present auditorium, a larger teachers' room and storage space, and gang toilets. Eventually Stratham will need a classroom for each grade that is housed in the district. I sincerely hope that the citizens will vote at the district meeting to construct this addition so that every effort can be made to have it ready by next fall at which time it will be needed.

The action taken by the Exeter School Board which will require the Stratham School District to provide education for the seventh grade starting with the next school year and for the seventh and eighth grades as of September, 1958, complicates the housing problem.

One solution would be to provide permanent housing for these grades in the local school which would mean one more classroom than is provided in the proposed addition.

Another solution would be to think in terms of joining in the formation of a Cooperative School District with other districts in the area to build a Junior High School for the seventh and eighth grades. An unofficial committee representing the districts of Brentwood, East Kingston, Exeter, Kensington, Newfields and Stratham has held several meetings to study this possibility.

I believe that at the school district meeting the next step should be taken: namely, to appoint representatives to form an official committee to continue the study of this proposal.

There appear to be certain advantages to this solution of the problem both financially and educationally. Until such time as final disposition has been made of this possibility, the four room addition to the present plant would seem to be the logical solution for the present.

Application has been made for Federal Aid under Public Law 815 to help finance the cost of the construction. At this writing word has been received that the application has been approved, a priority rating has been given to it, and that \$16,740.00 in Federal funds has been reserved tentatively for the project pending final action on the application.

The Parent-Teacher Association continues its active support of the school program.

The hot lunch program is capably operated by Mrs. Naomi Beairsto and Mrs. Ruth Young.

I call your attention to the reports of the school nurse and the music teacher and to the tables which follow.

I extend my appreciation to the citizens, the members of the School Board and the teachers for their continued support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. HOYT,

Superintendent, Supervisory Union No. 16

Stratham, New Hampshire

January 17, 1957

## REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

For many children entering the first grade, the musical experiences that they have in the school are among their first. It is true that radio and television give children the opportunity of listening to music, and this is good if the music is good. Fortunate are those children who have had a musical environment in the home during their pre-school years.

The importance of the classroom teacher in the school music program cannot be over-emphasized, for it is she who can provide richness in the lives of the children, as daily musical experiences for the pupil must be provided by her. Much help can be given her with a record player and some good records.

As music educators stress the importance of bodily response to music, much is done, especially in the lower grades, with this type of musical experience. Responding to music through various types of rhythmic activities, action songs, singing games, dancing and work with rhythm band are examples of this type of activity.

As many children have not found their singing voices when they first enter school, work to obtain this result is important.

In the third grade, work with tonettes is begun. This is valuable as a beginning for note-reading, and also often gives the pupils an interest in studying another instrument later on. A clarinet instructor recently told a new pupil that he thought that her work with the tonette in school had been a big help to her in learning to play this new instrument. It is true that the tonette and clarinet have similar features.



Learning the fundamentals of music, note-reading, part-singing, dancing, listening to music and music appreciation are also part of the music program.

In the spring, a Mexican musical program was presented at the schoolhouse by the pupils of the school. From the proceeds of this program new records were purchased and some movies for the visual-aid program were obtained.

Previous to the Christmas vacation, a Christmas program was given by the pupils, for their parents and friends.

In closing, I wish to thank Mr. Hoyt, the members of the School Board, the P.T.A., the teachers and the parents for their co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

ELEANOR HENRY

Stratham, N. H.

January 11, 1957



## SCHOOL HEALTH REPORT

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

During the past year half of the school children in Stratham had physical examinations under the supervision of Dr. Tuthill, pediatrician. Many remediable conditions were found and in most cases these have already been attended to by the parents. Some have been referred to special clinics if such have been available. Analysis on the above children showed none with a diabetic or kidney condition.

All the children were eligible for two polio shots and the vast majority have received these. There are no plans at present for a third shot. In most cases this can be obtained from the family physician.

The second half of the children will have physical examinations before spring, again under the direction of Dr. Tuthill.

I wish to thank all of the teachers and parents for their help during the past year, and especially to thank the Parent Teacher Association for their help with the examinations.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY G. SHEA, R.N.

School Nurse

Stratham, N.H.

January 11, 1957

## SCHOOL CALENDAR 1957-1958

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School Opens — September 4 (Wednesday)

School Closes — Dec. 20 (Fri.) 75 days 16 weeks

School Opens — Jan. 2 (Thurs.)

School Closes — Feb. 21 (Fri.) 37 days 8 weeks

School Opens — March 3 (Mon.)

School Closes — April 25 (Fri.) 40 days 8 weeks

School Opens — May 5 (Mon.)

School Closes — June 17 (Tues.) 31 days 7 weeks

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183 days 39 weeks

### Holidays:

October 17 and 18 — State Teachers' Convention

November 11 — Veterans' Day

November 28 and 29 — Thanksgiving Recess

May 30 — Memorial Day

School will be dismissed at noon on September 4 and November 28.

TABLE I  
STRATHAM PUPILS  
TOTAL ENROLLMENT JANUARY 1, 1957

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Tot.
Stratham Memorial	19	21	27	21	19	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	130
Exeter High School	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	27	13	11	14	13	93
Portsmouth Schools	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Philips Academy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Totals	19	21	27	21	19	23	15	27	14	11	14	14	225
1956 Comparisons	21	22	23	16	21	12	27	16	11	16	13	10	208

TABLE II  
STRATHAM SCHOOL  
STATISTICS FOR TEN YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 1956

School Year	Weeks	Boys	Girls	Total Pupils	Ave. Attend.	Ave. Absence	Ave. Membership	Percent of Attend.	Cases Tardiness	Visits of Supt.
1946-47	36	40	41	81	65.66	3.01	68.67	95.61	10	63
1947-48	37	41	41	82	69.52	3.30	72.82	95.46	23	69
1948-49	37	41	43	84	67.06	6.44	73.50	91.02	28	86
1949-50	38	42	38	80	67.6	5.3	72.9	92.86	28	76
1950-51	38	53	40	93	73.0	5.2	78.2	93.33	42	74
1951-52	38	54	43	97	75.6	8.67	83.73	93.24	31	68
1952-53	38	59	57	116	86.41	5.90	92.31	93.68	61	80
1953-54	38	58	59	117	99.64	6.30	105.92	94.03	51	100
1954-55	38	60	74	134	115.2	6.9	122.1	94.30	40	77
1955-56	38	49	66	115	106.0	6.9	112.9	94.00	14	77

TABLE III  
STRATHAM SCHOOL  
PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 1955-56

Raymond Breslin  
Carolyn Foss  
Dorothy French

Kenneth Genthner  
Marlene Scamman  
Nancy Wentworth



# BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRATHAM, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1956

Date	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
1956						
Jan. 30	Exeter, N.H.	Timothy L. Bacon	Theodore R. Bacon	Jacqueline E. Hill	Pittsburg, N. H.	Exeter, N. H.
Apr. 12	Exeter, N.H.	Thomas W. Caverno	Albert D. Caverno, Jr.	Margaret L. McLane	Winsor Locks, Conn.	Exeter, N. H.
Apr. 12	Exeter, N.H.	Timothy D. Caverno	Albert D. Caverno, Jr.	Margaret L. McLane	Winsor Locks, Conn.	Exeter, N. H.
May 18	Exeter, N.H.	Doreen A. Eldredge	Frank Eldredge	Christine St. Laurent	Exeter, N. H.	Newmarket, N. H.
June 17	Exeter, N.H.	Daniel E. Sewell	Dougald C. Sewall, Jr.	Joan H. Miller	Exeter, N. H.	Brooklyn, N. Y.
June 20	Portsmouth	Eileen S. O'Leary	Thomas J. O'Leary	Enid G. Stewart	Portsmouth, N. H.	Glasgow, Scotland
June 28	Exeter, N.H.	Betty J. Wiggins	Francis F. Wiggins	Jean Cottrell	Exeter, N. H.	Exeter, N. H.
June 29	Exeter, N.H.	Cheryl A. Roberts	William H. Roberts	Roberta F. Prescott	Wolffboro, N. H.	Exeter, N. H.
July 27	Exeter, N.H.	Stephen D. Rawson	Verne E. Rawson, Jr.	Irene Davey	Stratham, N. H.	Portsmouth, N. H.
Aug. 7	Kittery, Me.	Mattie L. Crosier	James T. Crosier	Doris E. Phillips	Phoenix, Ariz.	Lisbon, Conn.
Aug. 22	Exeter, N.H.	David W. Foss	Lawrence E. Foss	Kathleen E. Walsh	Medford, Mass.	Exeter, N. H.
Sept. 30	Kittery, Me.	Jerald G. Weiss	Jerald E. Weiss	Georgette Warnke	Warsaw, Ind.	Los Angeles, Calif.
Oct. 7	Exeter, N.H.	Bonnie A. Porter	Kenneth W. Porter	Grace E. Jones	Exeter, N. H.	Rural Retreat, Va.
Oct. 31	Winchester, Mass.	Mark K. Courtemanche	Eugene Courtemanche	Jane A. Robinson	Boston, Mass.	Somerville, Mass.
Nov. 20	Exeter, N.H.	Christopher T. Rowe, Jr.	Christopher T. Rowe	Joyce A. Barker	Exeter, N. H.	Portsmouth, N. H.
Nov. 28	Kittery, Me.	Cindy L. Painter	Jerry L. Painter	Ruth O. Tucker	Springfield, Ill.	Decatur, Ill.
Dec. 13	Kittery, Me.	Connie M. Barker	Marvin K. Barker	Helen E. Graybeal	Big Stone Gap, Va.	Appalachia, Va.

# MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRATHAM, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1956

Date 1956	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age in Years	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Names, Residence and Official Station of Person by Whom Married
Jan. 17	John L. Himler, Jr. Jean H. Libby	48 46	New York New York	John L. Himler Mary Slate Roman Hakel Sophia Rockowzki Norman H. Marr Ruth Harrison Bernard T. Maloney E. Louise Riley Albert P. Brouard Carolina Vidal Ronald C. Evans Marie K. Thomas Herman O. Haberland Veronica Sargent Robert G. Clements Gladys M. Robinson William H. Killeen Margaret Moriarty Thomas W. Almon Isabelle Morrison Byron Bowen Cornelia Larkin John F. Emery Frances L. Stoddard	Marion T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.  Marion T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.  Marion T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.  Rev. Einer Michaelson Stratham, N. H.  Mary R. Tuck Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.  Rev. William R. Keefe Manchester, N. H.
Jan. 21	Norman H. Marr, Jr. Elizabeth L. Maloney	20 19	Massachusetts Massachusetts		
July 4	Rene Brouard Anne Cann Evans	25 28	Argentina England		
July 7	Robert O. Haberland Elaine R. Clements	23 21	Massachusetts New Hampshire		
July 13	John C. Killeen Frances M. Almon	28 27	Massachusetts Massachusetts		
Aug. 2	Fay Bowen Mary L. Emery	64 56	New York New Hampshire		



Sept. 1	George W. Carr Donna M. Gordon	20 17	Maine New Hampshire	George L. Carr Rose Mitchell Clinton Gordon, Sr. Irene M. Tryon George E. Le Barge Ella F. Spencer Napoleon Dubois Florida Binnette Redfers B. Fox Lena Saulnier Gordon Ells Laura Phinney Louis L. Brown Lois B. Call Fred C. Chick Mildred Tate	Rev. Ralph E. Kyper Wilton, N. H.  Marion T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.  Marion T. Brewster Justice of the Peace Stratham, N. H.  Rev. Charles A. Parker Stratham, N. H.
Nov. 10	Frank Le Barge Germaine Dubois	46 41	Maine New Hampshire		
Dec. 19	Ernest L. Fox June F. Crockett	30 24	Massachusetts Canada		
Dec. 28	Kenneth E. Brown Charlotte M. Chick	28 19	New Hampshire New Hampshire		

# DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRATHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1956

Date 1956	Name and Surname of Deceased	Years			Place of Birth	Name of Father	Name of Mother
		Years	Months	Days			
Jan. 28	Emma Esterbrook	75			New Durham, N. H.	Stephen Berry	Hannah Edgerley
Feb. 9	Louise V. Maloney	66			Rollinsford, N. H.	Thomas Boyers	Ellen Hurley
Mar. 1	Harlan V. Pickard	64			Rowley, Massachusetts	Charles Pickard	Emmeline Tracey
Apr. 16	Hattie M. Joy	86			Noridgewock, Maine	Leander Harding	Edna Williamson
Aug. 15	Herbert Smith	68			P.E.I., Canada	Unknown	Unknown
Oct. 4	Jerald G. Weiss			4	Kittery, Maine	Jerald E. Weiss	Georgette Warnke
Oct. 25	Perley J. Wells	74			Epping, N. H.	John Wells	Mary McCoy
Dec. 19	Phoebe C. Alexander	80			Nova Scotia, Canada	Unknown	Unknown
Dec. 21	Sarah R. Jones	86			Tamworth, N. H.	Unknown	Unknown



